

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION
COVER SHEET

SUBJECT: HOWARD COSELL

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Date 10/29/73Transmit in PLAIN TEXT via teletype the attached URGENT message.
(plaintext or code) (priority)

FROM: Director, FBI

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TO: RUEADWW/ ☐ The President
RUEADWW/ ☐ The Vice President

SACS:

RUEADWW/ ☐ White House Situation Room
☐ Att.: _____RUEHOC/ ☐ Secretary of StateRUEAIIA/ ☐ Director, CIARUEKJCS/ ☐ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
☐ and National Indications Center

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SUBJECT: _____

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Text of message begins on next page.)

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NR007 BU PLAIN

1059PM NITEL 10/26/73 EWL

TO DIRECTOR

NEW YORK

FROM BUFFALO (9-NEW) 3P

~~TELETYPE~~

UNSUB; HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM; EXTORTION;

BOMB THREAT OO: BUFFALO

BUFFALO OFFICE 10/20/73

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~~NEW YORK THROUGH ABC TELEVISION NETWORK, LOCATE VICTIM COSELL AND ADVISE HIM OF CONTENT OF POST CARD.~~

END

~~FBIHQ FILE ACK FR TWO ELXX TELS TU AND CLR~~

~~CALL: MR. GEDHARDT~~

CC [REDACTED]

b7C

F B I

Date: 10/30/73

Transmit the following in _____

(Type in plaintext or code)

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL - REGISTERED MAIL

Via _____

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (9-1173) (P)

UNSUB; ①
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION; BOMB THREAT
(OO: BUFFALO)

Re Buffalo teletype to Bureau and New York, 10/26/73.

Enclosed for the Laboratory is the extortion note in this case.

For the information of the Laboratory, enclosed card was recovered by postal authorities from a mailbox in Lackawanna, New York on 10/26/73. Postal Superintendent, Lackawanna, advised that they have been receiving a large quantity of spurious mail in this box during the recent past where legitimate business reply envelopes were altered by changing the addresses. Along with this card were 85 other pieces of mail which the postal authorities feel were placed there by the same individual who placed the extortion note in the mailbox. The Postal Inspectors have developed a suspect, one [REDACTED] but have been unsuccessful in locating him for interview.

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ENCLOSURE

15 NOV 2 1973

Approved: _____

Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____

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Per _____

BU 9-1173

b7C [redacted] arrested by Buffalo, New York Police Department 4/30/66 under their #68590 on a burglary charge.

[redacted] described as white male, 5'7", 165 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, [redacted] three-inch scar left wrist and hand, and Social Security Number [redacted]

AUSA, Buffalo contacted 10/26/73 and feels the message contains a threat and stated he will consider prosecution if unsub identified.

The Laboratory is requested to furnish extortion letter to the Latent Fingerprint Section to examine the letter for latents of value and compare with fingerprints of [redacted] Buffalo PD #68590.

LEAD

BUFFALO

b7C AT BUFFALO, NEW YORK

Will attempt to locate suitable handprinting samples of [redacted] and submit to Laboratory for comparison with handprinting on note.

b7C

Recorded 11-5-73

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;;
EXTORTION; BOMB THREAT

LATENT

File # 174-4669-2
Lab.# D-731105012 PF

OO: Buffalo

Examination requested by: FBI, Buffalo (9-1173)

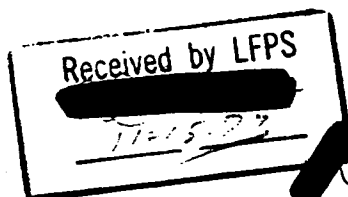
airtel 10-30-73

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 11-2-73

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]

"Evidence to be
returned by LFP"

b7C

- Q1 Hand printed Thank You card bearing address "HOWARD COSELL - ABC - E.V. - CH.7" and message on reverse side beginning " HOWARD COSELL - THE Mouth."

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537



REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 9-2173
 FBI FILE NO. REC-138 174-4669-2
 LATENT CASE NO. 1-80502

November 28, 1973

TO: SAC, Buffalo

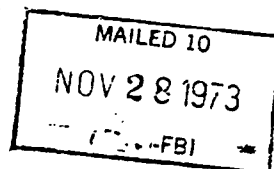
RE: UNSUB.;
 HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
 EXTORTION; BOMB THREAT

REFERENCE: Airtel 10-30-73
 EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Buffalo
 SPECIMENS: 1, card bearing hand printed message

Specimen described in separate Laboratory
 report.

No latent prints of value developed on en-
 closed card.

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Clarence M. Kelley
 Clarence M. Kelley, Director

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Recorded 11-5-73

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Recorded 11/16/73, 9:30 a.m. tao

Laboratory Work Sheet

LATENT

Received 11/16/73

File # 174-4669-2
Lab.# D-731105012 PF
LC # A-80502

Re: **UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;;
EXTORTION; BOMB THREAT**

OO: Buffalo

Examination requested by: **FBI, Buffalo (9-1173)**

airtel 10-30-73

Examination requested: **Document - Fingerprint**

Date received: **11-2-73**

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]

Named Suspect: [REDACTED]

Buffalo PD # 68590

Noted By:

*no latent I
sprayed 11/16/73
no latent II
traced -*

*Spec analyzed
12/1/73*

Q1 Hand printed Thank You card bearing address "HOWARD COSELL -
ABC - T.V. - ch.7" and message on reverse side beginning
" HOWARD COSELL - THE Mouth."

b7C

11/2/73

Examination Completed 11/19/73 2:28 PM Dictated 11/19/73
/Date Time Date

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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1059PM NITEL 10/26/73 EWL

TELETYPE

TO DIRECTOR

NEW YORK

FROM BUFFALO (9-NEW) 3P

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NEW YORK THROUGH ABC TELEVISION NETWORK, LOCATE VICTIM COSELL AND ADVISE HIM OF CONTENT OF POST CARD.

END

FBIHQ FLC ACK FR TWO ELXX TELS TU AND CLR

ORIG: [REDACTED] b7C

CC: [REDACTED]

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

1 - [REDACTED]
b7C

To: SAC, Buffalo (9-1173)

Date: November 15, 1973

From: Director, FBI

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL -- VICTIM;
EXTORTION: BOMB THREAT
OO: Buffalo

FBI File No. 174-4669

Lab. No. D-731105012

Examination requested by: Buffalo

Reference: Airtel dated 10-30-73

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks: Q1 is being returned separately with results of the latent fingerprint examination.

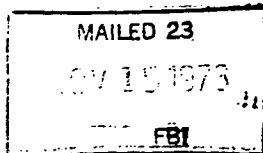
It will be necessary to have hand printing by suspects, comparable to the questioned hand printing, before an adequate comparison can be made.

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
S-[REDACTED]

REPORT
of the



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Buffalo (9-1173)

Date: November 15, 1973
FBI File No. 174-4669
Lab. No. D-731105012 PF

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION; BOMB THREAT

Specimens received 11-2-73

Q1 Hand printed Thank You card bearing address "HOWARD COSELL - ABC - T.V. - 6H.7" and message on reverse side beginning "HOWARD COSELL - THE Mouth."

Result of examination:

Q1 was not associated with material maintained in the Anonymous Letter File, Copies have been added thereto.

b7C The fingerprint card signature of [REDACTED] Buffalo, New York, Police Department number 68590 is not sufficiently comparable with the questioned hand printing on Q1 to permit a determination whether [REDACTED] prepared Q1.

~~A five-cent U.S. Postal Service stamp, torn from a sheet of stamps, is affixed to Q1. Q1 contains no watermarks, indented writing of significance or other characteristics which would aid in determining its source.~~

Q1, which has been photographed, is being returned separately.

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(4) [REDACTED]

7-2-73
11/14/73
Recorded 11-5-73

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

LATENT

File # 174-4669-4
Lab.# D-731105012 PF

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Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;;
EXTORTION; BOMB THREAT

OO: Buffalo

Examination requested by: FBI, Buffalo (9-1173)

airtel 10-30-73

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Date received: 11-2-73

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]
11/14/73

Q1 was not associated with the material maintained in the ALF. Copies have been added thereto.

b7C
A five cent U.S. Postal Service stamp, torn from a sheet of stamps, affixed to Q1. Q1 contains no watermarks, indented writing of sig. or other char. which would aid in determining their source.

The fingerprint of [REDACTED] Buffalo NY PD # 6859T is not suff. comp. with Q1 or Q1 to permit a det. with the [REDACTED] fingerprint Q1 to be used by LFS.

TF needs to have up by suspects comp. to give where a leg. h.p. comp. can be made.
Q1 Hand printed Thank You card bearing address "HOWARD COSELL - ABC - T.V. - CH.7" and message on reverse side beginning "HOWARD COSELL - THE Mouth."

Searched ALF, nothing sig. noted. Added to [REDACTED] 11/5/73 [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
11-15-73

PHOTOGRAPHED

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Physicals 11/5/73

Q1 Piece of paper (card type)

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Color: white

measures: 5.95 x approx 3.74 x .0061

stamp: 5¢ United States Washington stamp (blue) - SHEET

writing medium: black ink (ball point)

black "underlining" - address

black "underlining" - address

black dotted lines along "border" perforated

no indented writing / watermarks noted

cut along top & bottom

DOCHESNE - DOCHESNE

IT-3-13

ABI' ENRISTO (8-1113)

STREET 10-10-13

DO: ENRISTO

RECEIVED: DONE JIMMY
DOED CEMENT - AIGLIA:
RENE:

9-111100015 BL

DOCHESNE IT-3-13

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10/30/73

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL - REGISTERED MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (9-1173) (P)

UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION; BOMB THREAT
(OO: BUFFALO)

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Re Buffalo teletype to Bureau and New York, 10/26/73.

Enclosed for the Laboratory is the extortion note in this case.

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trans. Lab report

11-15-73

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BU 9-1173

[REDACTED] arrested by Buffalo, New York Police Department 4/30/66 under their #68590 on a burglary charge.

b7C [REDACTED] described as white male, 5'7", 165 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, [REDACTED] three-inch scar left wrist and hand, and Social Security Number [REDACTED]

AUSA, Buffalo contacted 10/26/73 and feels the message contains a threat and stated he will consider prosecution if unsub identified.

The Laboratory is requested to furnish extortion letter to the Latent Fingerprint Section to examine the letter for latents of value and compare with fingerprints of [REDACTED] Buffalo PD #68590.

LEAD

BUFFALO

AT BUFFALO, NEW YORK

b7C Will attempt to locate suitable handprinting samples of [REDACTED] and submit to Laboratory for comparison with handprinting on note.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Thompson

DATE: 11-5-73

FROM : ☐ W. V. Cleveland ~~XXX I. XXXXX~~
B. White.☒ LATENT EXAMINATION INVOLVED

Communication:

Agency Submitting: FBI, Buffalo

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION: BOMB THREAT☒ ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ CRIMINAL FILES☒ SEND OVER ALL CARDS

Please search the name of the individual through the records of the Identification Division and return this memorandum with a notation of your findings to -

☐ Employees Security and Special Inquiry Section, Room _____, Justice Building. (In SGE and UN cases, if a record of arrest is found, please enclose, in addition to file copy, 1 copy of the Identification Record for each state in which arrests occurred.)☒ Laboratory, Att.: _____, Ext. 3785, re D# 731105012 PF

The following identifying data are listed for your assistance (Att.: Special Investigative Division only - in addition to the name or names and the Government agency appearing in the title):

Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Race white	Height	Name and aliases (For use of Laboratory) (1)	(2)	(3)
Date and place of birth [REDACTED]	Age		[REDACTED]		
Military Service #	CSC #				
Last known address			[REDACTED]		
Previous Government employment			[REDACTED]		
Date SGE security form received			[REDACTED]		
Other pertinent identifying data (Att.: Lab., including PD #s and location) Buffalo, NY PD #68590 (XXXX arrested 4-30-66)			[REDACTED]		

Identification Division Reply

- ☐ Based upon information furnished, no record located.
- ☐ A noncriminal fingerprint record which IS or MAY BE identical was located. This record was searched through the criminal files and no criminal record found.
- ☐ The enclosed Identification Record IS or MAY BE identical with the record of the employee, applicant, or subject.

FBI

Date: 11/20/73

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (174-4669)
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY)

FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (9-1173) (P)

UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL-VICTIM
EXTORTION; BOMB THREAT
(OO: BUFFALO)

731123064

Re Buffalo airtel to Bureau, dated 10/30/73 and
FBI Lab Report, dated 11/15/73.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory is known handwriting
samples of [REDACTED]

On 11/19/73, [REDACTED]
Republic Steel Corp., Buffalo, N. Y., furnished enclosed
employment application of suspect [REDACTED]

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare handprinting
on application with previously submitted note in this case.
The FBI Laboratory number is 0731105012PF.

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 1) (AMRM)
- 2 - Buffalo

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EX-110

9 NOV 23 1973

Lab report
12-12-73

Approved: RHA
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

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FOR LAB ACTION & REPORT

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RECORDED
11-26-73

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - Victim;
Extortion; Bomb Threat

File #174-4669-5
Lab.# D-731123064 PF

OO: Buffalo

Examination requested by: SAC, Buffalo

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 11-23-73

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]

returned

K1 OneRepublic Steel Corporation and Subsidiaries employment
application bearing the ~~xxx~~ hand printing and signature of
[REDACTED]



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

1 - [REDACTED]

b7C

To: **SAC, Buffalo (9-1173)**

Date: **December 12, 1973**

From: **Director, FBI**

Re: **UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - Victim;
Extortion; Bomb Threat**

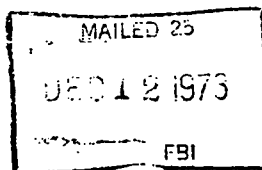
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FBI File No. **174-4669-5**
Lab. No. **D-731123064 PF**

Examination requested by: **Buffalo**
Reference: **Airtel, 11/20/73**
Examination requested: **Document**
Remarks:

Enclosures (3) (K1, 2 Lab report)

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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

MAIL ROOM ☒

TELETYPE UNIT ☐

[REDACTED] 114

**REPORT
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **SAC, Buffalo (9-1173)**

Re: **UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - Victim;
Extortion; Bomb Threat**

Date: **December 12, 1973**
FBI File No. **174-4669**
Lab. No. **D-731123064 PF**

Specimens received **11/23/73**

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K1 One Republic Steel Corporation and Subsidiaries
employment application dated 1/22/71 bearing
writing of [REDACTED]

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that the questioned
hand printing on Q1, previously submitted, was prepared
by [REDACTED] writer of K1.

K1, which has been photographed, is attached.

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11-26-73

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory-Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - Victim;
Extortion; Bomb Threat

File # 174-4669-5
Lab.# D-731123064 PF

OO: Buffalo

Examination requested by: SAC, Buffalo

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 11-23-73

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]

g hp Q1, prev sub, IDENT, K1
K1, photo'd + returned.

K1 OneRepublic Steel Corporation and Subsidiaries employment
application bearing the ~~mark~~ hand printing and signature of
[REDACTED]

writing of

Lab report
12-12-73
[REDACTED]

photo + negs in serial 2

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

INSTRUCTIONS - Reverse side

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (174-4669)
Att: Special Investigative Division
FROM : RHA [REDACTED] C, BUFFALO (9-1173) (P)
SUBJECT: [REDACTED] aka; -Fug
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION; BOMB THREAT

DATE: 1/9/74

- ☒ Initial Submission
☐ Supplements FD-65 dated _____
☐ Photograph not needed

- Indicate following:
☐ Extremist (Black)
☐ Extremist (White)
☐ Rev. Act.
☐ Other Security background
☐ None of these

Caution	MKE	Name	[REDACTED]	NAM	Sex	SEX	Race	RAC	
					M		W		
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]	POB	[REDACTED]	Birth Date	DOB	Height	HGT	Weight	WGT
						5'7"		165 lbs.	
Eye Color	Blue	EYE	Hair Color	Brown	HAI	FBI No.	FBI	Skin Tone	SKN
Scars, Marks, Tattoos, etc.	3" scar on left wrist and hand								SMT
NCIC Fingerprint Classification	FPC	Other Identifying Number	MNU	Social Security #	SOC				
		Buffalo PD #68590							
Operator's License Number	OLN	Operator's License State	OLS	Year Expire	OLY				
Offense Charged OFF EXTORTION									
U. S. Code, Title and Section Title 18, Section 876									
Warrant Issued By U.S. MAGISTRATE EDMUND F. MAXWELL on 1/9/74 DOW F. O. File # OCA 9-1173									
Date PBV or Bond Default Case Referred to Office									
Miscellaneous Including Bond Recommended MIS Fingerprint Classification (Henry System)									
BECAUSE OF BOMB THREAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. 13 U OI 15 19 O WHT.									
EX-109 REC-59 174 - 4-669 6									
LICENSE PLATE AND VEHICLE INFORMATION									
License Plate Number	LIC	State	LIS	Year Expires	LIY	License Plate Type	LIT		
Vehicle Identification #	VIN	Year	VYR	Make	VMA	Model	VMO	Style	VST
Aliases	[REDACTED]				Additional Identifiers				
					Additional DOB [REDACTED] JAN 14 1974				
NCIC # 54 JAN 2 1974 NIC									

1 - Bureau
1 - Buffalo [REDACTED] (2)

INSTRUCTIONS

FBI
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

1. **Caution (MKE)** - Insert "C" in block if caution statement indicated. Basis for caution statement must appear in Miscellaneous block, e.g. armed and dangerous.
2. **Name (NAM)** - Place name in this block. Aliases are not to be entered in this block but are to be placed in Aliases block.
3. **Sex (SEX)** - Sex will be designated by one letter, M (male) or F (female).
4. **Race (RAC)** - Race will be described by one letter, W (white), N (Negro), I (Indian), C (Chinese), J (Japanese), O (all other). Mexicans who are not definitely Indian or other nonwhite should be described as "W".
5. **Place of Birth (POB)** - Indicate city and state or, if foreign born, city and country. Where multiple birthplaces are reported, list verified birthplace or that which appears most logical in this block.
6. **Birth Date (DOB)** - Enter as month, day and year. Where multiple birth dates are reported, enter verified birth date or that which appears most logical in this block. Place other dates of birth in Additional Identifiers block.
7. **Height (HGT)** - Express in feet and inches, e.g., 6'0". Round off fractions to nearest inch.
8. **Weight (WGT)** - Express in pounds. Omit fractions.
9. **Eye Color (EYE)** - Use appropriate three character symbol.
10. **Hair Color (HAI)** - Use appropriate three character symbol.
11. **Skin Tone (SKN)** - Use appropriate three character symbol.
12. **Scars, Marks, Tattoos, etc. (SMT)** - Place in this block only appropriate NCIC coding for scars, marks, tattoos, birthmarks, deformities, missing body parts and artificial body parts as defined in NCIC Operating Manual. If more than one SMT is to be entered, use Additional Identifiers block for additional appropriately coded items. Use Miscellaneous block to describe all scars, marks, tattoos, etc. which are not defined in the NCIC Operating Manual and to more fully describe SMT's which have been entered in SMT block. For example, an appendectomy scar, not being readily visible, would be described in the Miscellaneous block. A tattoo on right arm, shown as TAT R ARM in block, might be further described in Miscellaneous block as a rose tattoo on inside of lower right arm.
13. **NCIC Fingerprint Classification (FPC)** - Enter NCIC fingerprint classification.
14. **Other Identifying Number (MNU)** - Miscellaneous numbers may be entered with appropriate identifiers (prefixes) as shown below. For first miscellaneous identifying number, use MNU block. When military service number is in fact Social Security Account Number, the number should be entered in both MNU and SOC blocks. Additional identifying numbers are placed in Additional Identifiers block. The identifier (prefix) should precede the number and be separated from the number by use of a hyphen.
 - AF - Air Force Serial Number
 - AR - Alien Registration Number
 - AS - Army Serial Number, National Guard Serial Number or Air National Guard Serial Number (regardless of State)
 - CG - U. S. Coast Guard Serial Number
 - MD - Mariner's Document or Identification Number
 - MC - Marine Corps Serial Number
 - MP - Royal Canadian Mounted Police Identification Number
 - NS - Navy Serial Number
 - PP - Passport Number
 - PS - Port Security Card Number
 - SS - Selective Service Number
 - VA - Veterans Administration Claim Number
15. **Fingerprint classification (Henry System)** - The Henry System fingerprint classification is to be placed in this block, when available. Do not enter in NCIC.
16. **Social Security Number (SOC)** - Place subject's Social Security Account Number in this block.
17. **Operator's License Number** - Place subject's operator's license number in OLN block. Also show licensing state (OLS) and year license expires (OLY).
18. **Warrant Issued By-On- (DOW)** - In Escaped Federal Prisoner cases enter date of escape in DOW block.
19. **Miscellaneous (MIS)** - Enter additional pertinent information in this block. If caution statement used, basis for statement must be set forth as first item in this block.
20. **License Plate and Vehicle Information** - Place information concerning license plate and/or vehicle known to be in the possession of subject in appropriate blocks under License Plate and Vehicle Information heading.
21. **Additional Identifiers** - Enter information concerning additional license plates (number, state, year expires, and where applicable, type); Social Security Numbers; operator's license number, state and year expires; vehicle information (VIN, VYR, VMA, VMO, VST, VCO); MNU's (see list in item 13 above); visible scars, marks, tattoos, etc.; and dates of birth. Clearly identify what data is being set forth; e.g. Social Security # 423-56-3294; Michigan operator's license 234567, expires 1972; DOB's 4/5/32, 5/3/32; etc.
22. Changes and deletions should be so indicated in the appropriate blocks.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

Steel City Man Held In Threat to Kill Cosell

A Lackawanna man was arrested today on federal charges of threatening to blow up Howard Cosell at Rich Stadium last October.

Charged with making a threat by mail, Michael G. Batko, 27, of 19 Elkhart St. was

brought by the FBI before U. S. Magistrate Edmund F. Maxwell, who freed him on \$500 bail.

Postal officials intercepted a postcard on Oct. 26 and notified federal authorities of the message.

"Howard Cosell — the MOUTH — why don't you drop dead," the message begins. It concludes:

"There's a bomb in Rich Stadium. It will blow you up at 10 Monday, Oct. 29, at Rich Stadium."

Asst. U. S. Atty. Theodore J. Burns said the postcard wasn't signed but was traced to Batko by the FBI over the past 2½ months through handwriting analysis.

Batko, who is unemployed, signed a job application at Republic Steel Corp. in January 1971, and this was compared with the handwriting on the postcard, officials said.

A preliminary hearing will be held on Feb. 5 at 11 AM.

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BUFFALO EVENING NEWS
Buffalo, New York

Date: 1/17/74

Edition: Final

Author:

Editor:

Title:

aka - FUG.
HOWARD COSELL - Victim

Character: Extortion;
or Bomb Threat

Classification: 9-1173

Submitting Office Buffalo

☐ Being Investigated

174-4669

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JAN 17 1974

TELETYPE

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Director Sec'y	_____

NR002 BU PLAIN

6:45 PM URGENT 1/17/74 PFS

TO DIRECTOR (174-4669)

(ATTN: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS)

FROM BUFFALO (9-1173) (P) 1P

Memo to Ident

DATE 1-18-74

PER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AKA - FUGITIVE; HOWARD COSELL -
VICTIM, EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS, OO: BUFFALO

RE BUFFALO TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, 1/16/73.

BATKO ARRESTED BY BUREAU AGENTS 1/17/74 WITHOUT INCIDENT.

SUBJECT ARRAIGNED BEFORE U.S. MAGISTRATE EDMOND F. MAXWELL,
BUFFALO, SAME DATE, AND RELEASED ON \$500.00 BAIL.

PRESS RELEASE MADE BUFFALO.

REPORT TO FOLLOW.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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cc - D Intell

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FIVE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

MEMORANDUM FOR IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

Fug Stop *b7C*

Bu file	No	Date
FBI #	Serial # <i>1-17-74</i>	Fugitive Index # <i>50156</i>
	Other Identifying #	Subject Located

Prosecution dismissed

City BU NY
Date 1-17-74

Reason and/or by whom:

Agents*TRY*

P. JAN 21 1974

Action to be taken

Cancel fugitive stops for Index

☒ Gen'l Fug

____ Add additional aliases

☐ SS

I. O. # _____

☐ DeserterDate of Fug Card 1-10-74

Ident Memo Received

☐ Yes☒ No☐ DescriptionBU 1-17-74*b7C*174-4667-

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Remarks

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE BUFFALO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUFFALO	DATE 1/21/74	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 10/26/73 - 1/17/74
TITLE OF CASE [REDACTED] aka -		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED [REDACTED]
FUGITIVE HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS	

1-28-74

REFERENCE: Buffalo nitel to the Bureau and New York, 10/26/73,
 Buffalo airtel to the Bureau 10/3/73,
 Buffalo airtel to the Bureau, 11/20/73,
 Buffalo teletype to the Bureau 1/16/74,
 Buffalo teletype to the Bureau 1/17/74.

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LEADS:

BUFFALO

AT BUFFALO, NEW YORK

Will follow and report prosecution.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					<input type="checkbox"/> NONE	EQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN: PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO
CONVIC.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES			
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APPROVED [Signature]	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW
COPIES MADE:		<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold;">REC-30</div> <div style="text-align: center;"> 174-4669-6 JAN 24 1974 EX-108 </div>
1 - Bureau (174-4669) 1 - USA, Buffalo (ATTN: AUSA THEODORE J. BURNING) 1 - New York (Info) 1 - Buffalo (9-1173)		

Dissemination Record of Attached Report		Notations
Agency	Request Recd.	
ICC 4555	ICC Summary	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold;">b7C</div>
Date Fwd.	2/1/74	
How Fwd.	[REDACTED]	
By	[REDACTED]	
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ADMINISTRATIVE:

On 10/27/73, 1/10/74 and 10/15/74, the

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (protect by request), was instrumental in furnishing
information [REDACTED]

On 10/27/73, subject's mother was interviewed
at which time she denied that the subject was at home, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] that we
were able to determine that the subject was at home and
consented to be interviewed.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Buffalo
(ATTN: AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS)

Report of: [REDACTED] Office: Buffalo, New York
Date: 1/21/74 b7C

Field Office File #: 9-1173 Bureau File #: 174-4669

Title: [REDACTED]
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM

Character: EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS

Synopsis: Postcard threatening victim located by postal authorities in mailbox, Lackawanna, New York. Postcard turned over to FBI. AUSA, Buffalo felt postcard contained legitimate threat. Subject's name furnished as suspect by postal authorities. Known handprinting sample compared with printing on postcard were found to be identical. AUSA, Buffalo authorized prosecution of subject charged with violation of Title 18, USC, Section 376. Warrant issued. Subject arrested by Buagents, 1/17/74 and arraigned before U.S. Magistrate, Buffalo, N.Y. same date. Subject released on \$500 bail. Preliminary hearing set for 11:00 AM, 2/5/74. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

b7C At approximately 3:40 PM, October 26, 1973, [REDACTED] Postal Inspector's Office, Main Post Office, 1200 William Street, Buffalo, New York, telephone number 342-2770, telephonically advised the writer that he had received a telephone call from [REDACTED] Superintendent, Post Office Station, 683 Ridge Road, Lackawanna, New York. [REDACTED] had intercepted at the Lackawanna Post Office Station, a postcard addressed to HOWARD COSELL containing the message for him to shut his mouth or it will be shut with a bomb on Monday, October 29, 1973, at 10:00 PM at Rich Stadium.

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Date of transcription 10/29/73

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b7C [redacted] Superintendent, Post Office Station, 683 Ridge Road, Lackawanna, New York, telephone number 842-2818, furnished the following information:

He furnished a postcard addressed to "Howard Cosell-ABC-t.V.-Ch.7, 1 Rich St., C/O-Rich Stadium-Buffalo Bills, Orchard Park, N.Y. _____, PERSONAL - ONLY," bearing a cancelled five cent stamp marked Elmsford, New York. On the reverse side the postcard has pre-printed "Thank You" and "For:" and in handprinting contained the following message:

"Howard Cosell-The Mouth. Why don't you drop dead you Homo-Fag Big Mouth. And your Book sucks like you Do. I'll help you, there's A Bomb in the Rich Stadium. It will Blow you up at 10:00 Monday, 10-29-73 at Rich Stadium-Buffalo, N.Y." In addition, on both sides of the postcard was handprinted, "NO JOKE."

b7C [redacted] stated that the postcard was mixed in with approximately 86 cards and letters, all business reply correspondence, deposited in the mailbox located at the corner of Electric and Kirby Streets, Lackawanna, New York. This mail was retrieved from the mailbox by Carrier [redacted] on Postal Route 1827, who cleared this mailbox at approximately 2:30 P.M., October 26, 1973. After the mail had been returned to the Lackawanna Post Office Station, the Assistant Postal Superintendent, [redacted] went through the collection and noticed this card among the bundle of mail taken from the mailbox at Electric and Kirby Streets, all apparently from the same individual. [redacted] made available to the FBI the above-described postcard but the remaining 86 pieces of mail were not made available at this time.

Based on previous experience, [redacted] speculated that this mail was from an individual known to the personnel of the Lackawanna Post Office as [redacted] who

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SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

b7C by [redacted] Date dictated 10/29/73

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resides at [REDACTED] Lackawanna, New York. On a previous occasion, approximately three months ago, [REDACTED] stated he went to the [REDACTED] address in regard to the continuous deposit of similar mail on approximately a monthly basis in the same mailbox at Electric and Kirby Streets. He spoke to a woman he believes was [REDACTED] and inquired regarding [REDACTED]. Immediately, the woman could not speak English and could not furnish any information regarding [REDACTED]. His conversation with the woman was terminated on the basis of no communication. [REDACTED] stated he understands from the Carrier [REDACTED] who delivers mail to the residence located at [REDACTED] Lackawanna, New York, that [REDACTED] is according to neighborhood gossip a late teenager approximately 18 years of age.

Until now, the mail in similar deposits of about one month intervals has all been business reply envelopes and cards, some of which have had the addressee altered making the business reply cards and envelopes not valid mail.

b7C
This deposit of mail containing the above-described postcard was all of a business reply nature. Fifty pieces of mail were sealed, airmail business reply envelopes containing nothing, addressed to the Cleveland Institute of Electronics, 1776 East 17th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44144. The remaining 36 pieces of mail were business reply envelopes and cards, some of which had the addressee altered. [REDACTED] stated he was turning these envelopes over to the Postal Inspector's Office, Buffalo, New York.

[REDACTED] could furnish no further information at this time.

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On October 26, 1973, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) THEODORE J. BURNS, Buffalo, New York, was advised of the contents of the above postcard and he stated he thought the message on the postcard contained a legitimate threat, and he would consider prosecution if a subject were developed.

On the same date, the following persons were notified of the threatening postcard:

Deputy [REDACTED]
Erie County Sheriff's Office
Buffalo, New York

Detective [REDACTED]
Lackawanna Police Department
Lackawanna, New York

Patrolman [REDACTED]
Town of Orchard Park Police Department
Orchard Park, New York

Special Agent [REDACTED]
United States Secret Service
Buffalo, New York

On October 26, 1973, the New York Office of the FBI advised the victim was advised of the information contained in above postcard.

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b7C [redacted] was interviewed in front of his residence by Special Agents of the FBI. He was advised the interview concerned the mailing of a postcard to HOWARD COSELL, the sports broadcaster, which advised a bomb would blow up at Rich Stadium on October 29, 1973. He was advised this postcard was deposited in a mailbox located at the corner of Kirby and Electric Streets, Lackawanna, New York, which is near his residence, and that he was considered a possible suspect. He was orally advised of his rights by SA [redacted] was advised that he did not have to answer any questions; that he had a right to consult an attorney before answering any questions; that if he could not afford an attorney one would be provided for him; and that anything he said could be used against him in a court of law. He stated he understood his rights and indicated a willingness to answer questions concerning this matter.

[redacted] stated he had not written or mailed the postcard in question. He stated he had deposited mail at the mailbox in question on October 28, 1973, but denied mailing anything addressed to HOWARD COSELL.

[redacted] was shown a copy of the postcard in question, and again denied either writing it or depositing it in the mailbox.

[redacted] furnished the following background data:

Name	[redacted]
Aliases	[redacted]
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5' 7"
Weight	165 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Scars and Marks	Three inch scar on left wrist and hand

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b7C by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 10/29/73

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Social Security
Number

Marital Status

Education

Employment

Arrests

[REDACTED]
Single

Junior year-high school

Unemployed; previously
employed at Republic Steel,
laid off January, 1973,
for periodic absences.

Arrested by the Lackawanna,
New York Police Department
on minor charges (not
specified), and by the
Buffalo, New York Police
Department in 1966 on
Burglary charges, which
were subsequently dismissed.

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Date of transcription 10/30/73

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Lieutenant [REDACTED], Lackawanna Police Department (LPD), furnished the following to Special Agents of the FBI:

Records of the LPD Identification Division contain the following:

b7C [REDACTED] a white male born [REDACTED] employed at Bethlehem Steel Corporation, Lackawanna, New York, was arrested on July 8, 1969, by LPD Officers [REDACTED] on charges of violation of 140.05 RPL (Criminal Trespass) on complaint of [REDACTED]. On February 10, 1970, the charge was dismissed with prejudice. LPD number is 101399.

b7C A newspaper clipping in the file indicated [REDACTED] was arrested April 30, 1966, with one [REDACTED] by officers of the Buffalo Police Department (BPD) Tactical Patrol Unit, on charges of second degree Burglary of Junior's Fruit Market, 2431 South Park Avenue. Lieutenant [REDACTED] advised the BPD had a photograph of [REDACTED] available, BPD number 68590. Disposition of these charges were unknown.

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b7C by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Date dictated 10/29/73

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Date of transcription 11/6/73

Surveillance of
[REDACTED]
Lackawanna, New York
October 29, 1973

b7C
4:00 PM Surveillance instituted in the vicinity of
[REDACTED] Lackawanna, New York.
12:00 PM Surveillance discontinued. No one observed to
enter or depart [REDACTED] during the
course of this surveillance.

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SAs [REDACTED] and
by [REDACTED] Date dictated 11/2/73

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By communication dated October 30, 1973, the threatening postcard was submitted to the FBI Laboratory, Washington, D.C. in order that it might be examined for any latent fingerprints of value and also, examination of the handprinting on the postcard to be compared with handprinting of [REDACTED] which would be submitted at a later date.

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Buffalo (9-1173)

Date: November 15, 1973

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION; BOMB THREAT

FBI File No. 174-4669

Lab. No. D-731105012 PF

Specimens received 11-2-73

Q1 Hand printed Thank You card bearing address "HOWARD COSELL - ABC - T.V. - CH.7" and message on reverse side beginning "HOWARD COSELL - THE MOUTH."

Result of examination:

Q1 was not associated with material maintained in the Anonymous Letter File. Copies have been added thereto.

b7C The fingerprint card signature of [REDACTED] Buffalo, New York, Police Department number 68590 is not sufficient comparable with the questioned hand printing on Q1 to permit a determination whether [REDACTED] prepared Q1.

A five-cent U.S. Postal Service stamp, torn from a sheet of stamps, is affixed to Q1. Q1 contains no watermarks, indented writing of significance or other characteristics which would aid in determining its source.

Q1, which has been photographed, is being returned separately.

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b7C [REDACTED] Republic Steel Corporation, South Park Avenue, Buffalo, New York, was contacted and at that time, he furnished an employment application with his company, which had been filled out and signed on January 22, 1971, by [REDACTED]

This employment application was initialed and dated by [REDACTED]

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b7C by SA [REDACTED] Date dictated 11/23/73

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By communication dated November 20, 1973, the above mentioned employment application was submitted to the FBI Laboratory, Washington, D.C. in order that the handprinting on the employment application could be compared with the handwriting on the threatening postcard.

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of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Buffalo (9-1173)

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - Victim;
Extortion; Bomb Threat

Date: December 12, 1973
FBI File No. 174-4669
Lab. No. D-731123064 PF

Specimens received 11/23/73

K1 One Republic Steel Corporation and Subsidiaries
employment application dated 1/22/71 bearing
writing of [REDACTED]

b7C

Result of examination:

The conclusion was reached that the questioned
hand printing on Q1, previously submitted, was prepared
by [REDACTED] writer of K1.

K1, which has been photographed, is attached.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/29/741

An examination was made of the United States Post Office mailbox located on the corner of Electric Avenue and Kirby Street, Lackawanna, New York. It was determined that this was a mailbox in which mail could be placed and not just storage box. The card attached to the front of this box stated that mail is normally picked up at this box at 12:10 PM daily.

Interviewed on 12/13/73 at Lackawanna, New York File # Buffalo 9-1173

by SA [REDACTED] *b7C* Date dictated 12/26/74

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] was interviewed at the United States Post Office, Ridge Road, Lackawanna, New York, where he is employed as an Assistant Superintendent.

b7C [REDACTED] was told that he was being interviewed regarding a threatening postcard which had been placed in the mailbox on the corner of Electric Avenue and Kirby Street, Lackawanna, New York on October 26, 1973, and he voluntarily advised as follows:

[REDACTED] stated that on October 26, 1973, the carrier who picks up mail at the above mailbox, [REDACTED] returned to the Post Office that afternoon and threw a package of mail from that mailbox onto a tray in the Post Office, which is utilized for sorting mail. He stated that the carrier often picks up mail from this mailbox in which business reply envelopes had been placed, in which the initial address had been crossed out and the name of another individual and address replaced.

b7C [REDACTED] continued that when the carrier brings in this type of mail, it is usually very noticeable and he generally calls it to the attention of the supervisor when he returns it to the Post Office. [REDACTED] stated that this is what happened on this particular date and as he was going through the mail himself, he found a post card addressed to television sports commentator, HOWARD COSELL and upon noticing this postcard, he saw the word "bomb", which caused him to read the rest of the writing on the postcard.

[REDACTED] stated that the writing on this postcard appeared to him to be identical to the handwriting on the numerous business reply envelopes, which had been placed in this mailbox both on this day and in the past.

b7C Interviewed on 12/18/73 at Lackawanna, New York File # Buffalo 9-1173

by SA [REDACTED] Date dictated 12/26/74

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[REDACTED] was shown a Xeroxed copy of this postcard addressed to COSELL and he stated that it appeared identical to the one that he abstracted from the mail. He stated that one of the reasons that he was positive of this, was because the Xeroxed copy showed a pre-cancelled stamp and it had been pre-cancelled at Elmsford, New York.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed at his residence, at which time he advised he is employed as a mail carrier at Lackawanna, New York.

b7C [REDACTED] advised that on October 26, 1973, he picked up the mail from the U.S. Postal mailbox at the corner of Electric Avenue and Kirby Street, Lackawanna, New York at approximately 2:30 PM, as he does every day. He stated that he picked the mail up and bundled it and took it back to the Post Office. When he returned to the Post Office, he threw the mail into a metal tray and left it there for the Assistant Superintendent in the Post Office to sort.

b7C He stated that when the Assistant Superintendent, [REDACTED] started going through the mail, he recognized this whole package of mail as junk mail, and business reply envelopes in which the addressee had been crossed out with a new name and address substituted. He advised that there has been previous trouble with this at this particular mailbox and he was familiar with it.

[REDACTED] continued that [REDACTED] called him over from his sorting and showed him a card which had come from this stack of mail addressed to HOWARD COSELL and contained a threat to place a bomb at Rich Stadium, Buffalo, New York.

A Xeroxed copy of this postcard was displayed to [REDACTED] and he advised that it appeared to be identical to the card coming out of the mailbox.

Interviewed on 12/18/73 at Lackawanna, New York File # Buffalo 9-1173

b7C by SA [REDACTED] Date dictated 12/26/73

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On January 9, 1974, the facts of this case were discussed with AUSA RICHARD J. ARCARA and he authorized prosecution of subject in violation of United States Code, Title 18, Section 876. A complaint was filed on the same date charging subject with the above violation before United States Magistrate, EDMUND F. MAXWELL, Buffalo, New York by SA [REDACTED] and a warrant was issued.

On January 17, 1974, subject was apprehended without incident by Bureau Agents at his residence, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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b7C [redacted] was arrested at his residence, [redacted] by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] was advised by [redacted] of the identities of the arresting Agents, as Special Agents of the FBI. He was furnished an Advice of Rights form, which he read, stated he understood and signed.

[redacted] was told by SA [redacted] that he was being arrested in violation of the Federal Extortion Statute for placing a threatening communication in a United States Post Office mailbox, on October 26, 1973.

[redacted] denied that he either wrote or placed the questioned postcard in that mailbox.

Interviewed on 1/17/74 at Lackawanna, New York File # Buffalo 9-1173

by SA [redacted] b7C Date dictated 1/18/74

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On January 17, 1974, [REDACTED] appeared before United States Magistrate, EDMUND F. MAXWELL at Buffalo, New York, at which time he was arraigned on the above charge and released on \$500 bail. A preliminary hearing was set for 11:00 AM, February 5, 1974.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (174-4669)

DATE: 5/10/74

FROM : SAC, BUFFALO (9-1173) (P)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] aka
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS

Re report of SA [REDACTED] 1/21/74 at Buffalo.

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Contact has been maintained with AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS, WDNY, Buffalo, re the status of prosecution in this case and he has advised as late as 5/7/74 that this case has not yet been set for trial. He has been in contact with subject's attorney who has requested copy of the original extortion note and copy of the subject's employment application at Republic Steel. AUSA BURNS advised that he furnished these copies to the subject's attorney who is having the handwriting analyzed by an outside handwriting expert.

For the information of Bureau, AUSA BURNS advised that one of the principal reasons why this case has not been set for trial was because of the death of United States District Judge JOHN O. HENDERSON.

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Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (174-4669)

FROM : ~~RHA~~ SAC, BUFFALO (9-1173) (P)

SUBJECT: MARIAN GEORGE BATKO, aka;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS

~~Y~~

DATE: 8/12/74

Re Buffalo let to Bureau, 5/10/74 and FD-01, 8/6/74.

Contact has been maintained with AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS re the status of prosecution in this case, and he has advised that case still has motions pending. *de*

On 8/12/74, in the absence of AUSA BURNS, First AUSA RICHARD J. ARCARA was contacted, and he advised his office hopes the trial of the subject will commence this Fall but that motions are still pending in front of USDJ JOHN T. CURTIN.

For the information of the Bureau, it should be pointed out that the WDNY is still operating with two Federal Judges since the death of USDJ JOHN O. HENDERSON.

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10:29PM NITEL SEPT. 6, TELETYPE

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (174-4669)
(ATTN: FBI LAB DOCUMENT SECTION)

FROM BUFFALO (9-1173) 2P

[REDACTED], AKA: HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS

ON SEPT. 6, 1974, AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS ADVISED THAT CAPTIONED CASE ALONG WITH 19 OTHER CASES SCHEDULED TO GO TO TRIAL IN FRONT OF FEDERAL JUDGE JOHN T. CURTIN, BUFFALO, ON SEPT. 10, 1974. BURNS STATED IT IS NOT LIKELY THAT THIS CASE WOULD ACTUALLY GO TO TRIAL AT THAT TIME, BUT HE DOES EXPECT IT TO BE SCHEDULED FOR TRIAL IN THE LATTER PART OF SEPT. OR THE FIRST PART OF OCT.

BURNS STATED THAT HE WAS ADVISING THE BUFFALO OFFICE IN ORDER THAT THE DOCUMENT EXAMINER FROM THE LAB MAY BE ALERTED FOR THIS AS HE MAY HAVE TO TRAVEL TO BUFFALO ON VERY SHORT NOTICE.

IT IS TO BE NOTED VICTIM COSELL WILL BE IN BUFFALO ON SEPT. 16, 1974, FOR THE ABC TV, MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL SHOW AND BURNS FEELS THAT THE DEFENSE ATTORNEY MAY SERVE COSELL WITH A SUBPOENA AT THAT TIME. HE ALSO FEELS THAT JUDGE CURTIN MAY IMMEDIATELY SET THE TRIAL AFTER THAT

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE BUFFALO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUFFALO	DATE 10/15/74	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 4/17-10/8/74
TITLE OF CASE FUGITIVE HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS 10-22-74	

REFERENCES: Report of SA **[REDACTED]** dated 1/21/74
at Buffalo.
Buffalo nitel to Bureau, dated 9/6/74.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

It is to be noted that the investigative period of this report is extensive. This was due to the fact that case was pending in U. S. District Court in Buffalo for an extended period of time due to the death of U. S. District Judge JOHN O. HENDERSON and case was not set for hearings in U. S. District Court, Buffalo until Fall of 1974.

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b7D [REDACTED] (protect), [REDACTED] requested to determine if subject was presently employed.

[REDACTED] was unable to make the above determination.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

1 - USA, Buffalo
(ATTN: AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS)

Report of:

Date:

10/15/74

Office: Buffalo, New York

Field Office File #:

9-1173

Bureau File #: 174-4669

Title:

HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM

Character:

EXTORTION;
BOMB THREATS

Synopsis:

Contact with AUSA shows that trial of subject would commence Fall of 1974. Trial was set for 9/10/74 but was postponed for motions until 10/7/74. Motion by defense attorney on 10/7/74 requested that victim be subpoenaed as a defense witness for trial purposes at Government expense. Motions pending. Subject's attorney had xerox copies of extortion note and subject's employment application examined by private handwriting examiner. Subject's identification record set forth. ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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Details:

On April 17, 1974, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) THEODORE J. BURNS, Western District of New York, Buffalo, New York, advised that this case has not yet been set for trial and he has been in contact with subject's attorney and that the attorney has been requesting additional copies of the original extortion note and the subject's employment application at Republic Steel in order that he may have them examined by private handwriting expert.

AUSA BURNS was again contacted on May 7, 1974, at which time he stated that this case has not yet been set for trial.

Contact was maintained during June and July, 1974 with AUSA BURNS regarding the status of prosecution of this case. He advised that the case still had motions pending.

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On August 12, 1974, in the absence of AUSA BURNS, First AUSA RICHARD J. ARCARA, Buffalo, was contacted and he advised that his office hopes the trial of subject will commence this Fall but that motions are still pending in front of United States District Court Judge JOHN T. CURTIN.

On September 6, 1974, AUSA BURNS advised that captioned case, along with 19 other cases were scheduled to go to trial in front of Federal Judge JOHN T. CURTIN, Buffalo, New York on July 10, 1974. BURNS stated that it was not likely that this case would actually go to trial at that time but he did expect it to be scheduled for trial in the latter part of September or the first part of October, 1974. BURNS requested that the examiner from the Federal Bureau of Investigation Lab be alerted for this as he might to have to appear in Buffalo on very short notice.

BURNS also stated at this time that he had been in telephonic contact with the victim and he was told by COSELL that it would be impossible for him, COSELL, to appear in Buffalo for the trial as he had national and international commitments.

By letter, dated September 18, 1974, AUSA BURNS advised that on September 10, 1974, Judge CURTIN directed the Government to be ready to proceed to trial in this case on one day's notice. However, since there was one issue remaining to be resolved by the court with arguments scheduled before Judge CURTIN on September 30, 1974, the case would probably be reached for trial sometime in the first part of October, 1974.

On October 3, 1974, AUSA BURNS requested that an effort be made to determine if the subject was presently employed. BURNS stated that a hearing would be held before Judge CURTIN on October 7, 1974, at which time the subject's attorney would attempt to have the victim subpoenaed as a defense witness at Government expense.

On October 8, 1974, AUSA BURNS advised that the hearing had been held and that Judge CURTIN reserve decision.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (174-4669)

DATE: 7/8/75

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FROM : RDR SAC, BUFFALO (9-1173)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] aka;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS

On 6/18/75 AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS, WDNY, advised that U.S. District Judge JOHN T. CURTIN was presently on vacation and a trial date had not been set as yet in this matter.

On 7/7/75 AUSA BURNS stated he he had conferred with Judge CURTIN during the previous week in this matter and that Judge CURTIN stated he would set this matter for trial sometime in the fall of 1975. BURNS continued that there was a visiting Judge scheduled to come to Buffalo and it is possible that this matter may be brought up in front of him rather than waiting for Judge CURTIN in the fall.

Since no new information has been developed, a report is not being submitted in this matter at this time.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE BUFFALO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUFFALO	DATE 2/12/76	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 1/9/76 - 2/9/76
TITLE OF CASE HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS	

REFERENCES: Buffalo report of SA [REDACTED] dated 1/21/74.
Bureau 0-1 to Buffalo dated 1/7/76.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Contact has been maintained with the AUSA, Buffalo, re this case since furnish of referenced report, and on 10/16/75, during inspection of the Buffalo Office, Inspectors had recommended that this case be placed in a pending inactive status.

For information of Bureau, [REDACTED] confidentially advised [REDACTED]

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							PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

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b3 [REDACTED] has been instructed by the USA, Buffalo, to prepare a letter under the USA's signature to be addressed to the Judge urging him to bring this matter to a logical conclusion.

The delay in reporting in this case is to be noted and was caused by the fact that the Case Agent was involved in more expedite 91 matters.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Copy to: 1 - USA, Buffalo
(Attn: AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS)

Report of: [REDACTED] Office: Buffalo, New York
Date: 2/12/76

Field Office File #: 9-1173 Bureau File #: 174-4669

Title: [REDACTED]
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM

Character: EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS

Synopsis: Subject's trial still pending USDC, Buffalo. No trial date set. USDJ, Buffalo, ordered victim to be subpoenaed for trial when it eventually starts.

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Details: On April 17, 1974, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) THEODORE J. BURNS, Western District of New York, Buffalo, advised that this case has not yet been set for trial and he has been in contact with the subject's attorney who requested copies of the original extortion note in this case, which AUSA BURNS furnished to him.

On August 12, 1974, in the absence of AUSA BURNS, First AUSA RICHARD J. ARCARA (now United States Attorney) was contacted and he advised that his office hoped the trial of the subject would commence in the fall of 1974 but that motions were still pending in front of United States District Judge JOHN T. CURTIN.

On September 6, 1974, AUSA BURNS advised the captioned case, along with nineteen other cases, were scheduled to go to trial in front of Judge CURTIN on September 10, 1974. BURNS stated it is not likely that this case would actually go to trial at that

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time, but he did expect it to be scheduled for trial the later part of September or the first part of October, 1974.

By communication dated September 18, 1974, AUSA BURNS advised that on September 10, 1974, Judge CURTIN directed the Government to be ready to proceed to trial in this case in one day's notice. However, since there was one issue remaining to be resolved by the Court with arguments scheduled before Judge CURTIN on September 30, 1974, AUSA BURNS did not expect the case would be listed for trial before October, 1974.

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On December 2, 1974, Judge CURTIN ruled that the Government must subpoena Television Network Sports Commentator HOWARD COSELL to testify in the coming trial of [REDACTED] who is charged with sending a death threat addressed to the Announcer.

On June 18, 1975, and July 7, 1975, AUSA BURNS was contacted and he stated that during recent conferences with Judge CURTIN on this matter, Judge CURTIN stated that he would set this matter for trial for sometime in the fall of 1975. BURNS was recontacted on September 4, 1975, and October 1, 1975, and advised that the case has still not been set for trial.

On January 9, 1976, and February 9, 1976, AUSA BURNS was contacted and on both occasions he advised the case has still not been set for trial.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (174-4669)

FROM : RDR/ [REDACTED] SAC, BUFFALO (9-1173) (P*)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] aka;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS
(OO: BUFFALO)

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DATE: 9/14/76

Rerep of SA [REDACTED] 2/12/76, at Buffalo; and
Bureau 0-1, 9/10/76.

For information of Bureau, this case is kept in a
pending inactive status in the Buffalo Division.

Also, for the information of the Bureau, contact
has been maintained with the USA's Office, Buffalo, N.Y.; and
AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS was contacted on 9/13/76. AUSA BURNS
felt that Judge JOHN T. CURTIN, WDNY, might bring this matter
up for trial at this time since victim was in Buffalo for
regular Monday night NFL game, but AUSA BURNS advised that
Judge CURTIN still has not set this matter for trial.

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Date: 12/28/76

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Precedence)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (174-4669)
(ATTN: FBI LABORATORY DOCUMENT SECTION)

FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (9-1173) (P)

[REDACTED] aka;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION; BOMB THREATSRe Buffalo teletype to Bureau, 9/6/74; and report
of SA [REDACTED] 2/12/76, at Buffalo.A letter received at the Buffalo Office from
AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS, Buffalo, N.Y., stated that USDC
Judge JOHN T. CURTIN, Buffalo, N.Y., had advised him that
captioned case has been scheduled for trial 2/8/77. Judge
CURTIN stated that evidence would not be presented to the
jury until the next day or on some day within two weeks of
2/8/77.AUSA BURNS stated that one of the essential
Government witnesses is the document examiner who performs
a handwriting analysis comparing the defendant's handwriting
communication in this case. AUSA BURNS requested that this
examiner be available to testify in Buffalo on some date
between 2/9-22/77.Buffalo will keep Bureau advised of exact date
examiner needed.

Lab No. for this case is D-731105012 PF.

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Approved: RDR
Special Agent in Charge

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 TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (174-4669)
 (ATTN: FBI LABORATORY,
 DOCUMENT SECTION)

FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (9-1173) (P)

[REDACTED] aka;
 HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
 EXTORTION; BOMB THREAT
 (OO: BUFFALO)

Re Buffalo airtel to Bureau, 12/28/76.

On 1/24/77, AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS, WDNY, Buffalo, New York, advised that trial in captioned case has again been postponed and has been reset for 3/8/77.

AUSA BURNS advised that he would like the Document Examiner, who performed handwriting analysis in this case, to be available to testify in Buffalo on some date between 3/8 - 3/18/77..

Buffalo will keep Bureau advised of exact date examiner needed.

Lab Number for this case is D-731105012PF.

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ATTN: FBI LABORATORY DOCUMENT SECTION

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[REDACTED], AKA: HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM, EXTORTION -
BOMB THREAT

ON MARCH 1, 1977, AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS ADVISED
CAPTIONED CASE WOULD GO TO TRIAL WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 1977,
AND JURY WOULD BE PICKED MARCH 8, 1977.

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BURNS STATED HE WOULD NEED DOCUMENT EXAMINER
THIS CASE (LAB #D-731135712PF) BE IN BUFFALO FOR PRE-TRIAL
CONFERENCE THE AFTERNOON OF MARCH 8, 1977 AND TO TESTIFY
MARCH 9, 1977.

LABOR, DOCUMENT EXAMINER THIS CASE WILL BE IN BUFFALO
AFTERNOON MARCH 8, 1977.

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Dep. AD Inv.	_____
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CC: GENERAL INV. DIV.

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No further action
Handled
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[REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum (Type or hand print.)

TO : Section Chief
C-G-T Section

DATE: 3-10-77

b7C FROM : JOHN B. Sommer

COMMITMENT REPORT

SUBJECT: HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION - BOMB THREAT

Section Document

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25 File # 174-4669
35 Court/Agency FEDERAL COURT
50 City & State BUFFALO, N.Y.

05 Date/s
77 Testified

79 Reason: 01. Guilty Plea
02. Case Continued
03. Case Dismissed
04. Stipulation

05. Testimony Not Needed
06. Mistrial
07. FOUND GUILTY

77 Miscellaneous Commitments: (MC)

79 Reason: 01. Lecture/Training (Others)
02. Training (Self)
03. Speech
04. Pretrial Conference

05. Field Examination of Evidence
06. Research/Data Acquisition
07. _____
08. Investigative Support
09. Communication Support

Results of Trial CONVICTION

Prosecuting Attorney THEODORE J. BURNS Defense Attorney SAMUEL PERLA

Details/Unusual or Interesting Circumstances: NEWS COMMENTATOR HOWARD
COSELL APPEARED TO TESTIFY
RE BOMB THREAT DURING MONDAY
NIGHT FOOTBALL GAME IN 1973.

SUBJECT CONVICTED — ONLY
174-4669 — SUBJECT
EVIDENCE AGAINST DOCKET
NOT RECORDED

WAS DOCUMENT RESULTS 8 APR 20 1977

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE BUFFALO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BUFFALO	DATE 4/26/77	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 1/24/77 - 4/19/77
TITLE OF CASE [REDACTED] aka; HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS	

REFERENCES: Report of SA **[REDACTED]** dated 2/12/76 at Buffalo.
Buffalo letter to Bureau, dated 1/24/77.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Extended period since submission of referenced report is to be noted but this case has been in a pending inactive status in the Buffalo Office awaiting prosecution.

R-84 submitted under separate cover.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

1 - USA, Buffalo
(ATTN: AUSA THEODORE J. BURNS)

Report of:

Date:

4/26/77

Office: Buffalo, New York

Field Office File #:

9-1173

Bureau File #: 174-4669

Title:

HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM

Character:

EXTORTION; BOMB THREATS

Synopsis:

Subject convicted USDC, Buffalo on 3/11/77 and on 4/18/77, USDJ, Buffalo suspended imposition of sentence re [REDACTED] and placed him on probation for period of one year.

Details:

On January 24, 1977, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) THEODORE J. BURNS, Western District of New York (WDNY), Buffalo, New York, advised the trial in captioned case had been reset for March 8, 1977.

On March 9, 1977, subject's trial commenced with jury selection on March 8, 1977.

By letter dated March 14, 1977, AUSA BURNS advised that on March 11, 1977, a jury found [REDACTED] guilty of mailing a threatening communication to HOWARD COSELL in October, 1973. United States District Judge (USDJ) JOHN T. CURTIN had scheduled sentencing for Monday, April 18, 1977.

By communication dated April 19, 1977, AUSA BURNS advised that on April 18, 1977, Judge CURTIN suspended imposition of sentence on [REDACTED] and placed him on probation for a period of one year.

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TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype
☐ Facsimile
☒ Airtel

PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate
☐ Priority
☐ Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET
☐ SECRET
☐ CONFIDENTIAL
☐ UNCLAS E F T O
☐ UNCLAS

Date 7/1/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 (ATTENTION: ID/LFS; LABORATORY DIVISION/DOCUMENT
 SECTION; TSD/ENGINEERING SECTION)

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (9A-1826) (P)

CHANGED

[REDACTED] VICTIM:

HOWARD/COSELL-VICTIMS;
 EXTORTION
 OO: MILWAUKEE

Title changed to reflect identity of victims,
 addition of HOWARD COSELL as victim, and deletion of
 [REDACTED] as victim due to prosecutive declination.

Re telcall from SA [REDACTED]
 Milwaukee, to [REDACTED] Secretary, Laboratory Division,
 Document Section, 7/1/86, Milwaukee teletype to
 Director, 6/25/86, and New York airtel to Director,
 6/23/86.

For the information of New York, subject's
 true name is [REDACTED] black male, date of birth
 [REDACTED] is a prolific letter writer and has

- ④ - Bureau
 2 - New York
 2 - Milwaukee (9A-1826)

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previously undergone psychiatric evaluation. On 4/24/86, [REDACTED] noted television and movie personality, received a letter and cassette tape from subject, in which [REDACTED] requested \$5,000 from [REDACTED] and made veiled threats to numerous individuals. This matter was presented to Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) R. JEFFREY WAGNER, Eastern District of Wisconsin (EDW), on 6/25/86, who advised that he would review to determine if a violation existed.

On 6/30/86, AUSA WAGNER was advised of subject's extortion attempt against HOWARD COSELL per referenced New York airtel. AUSA WAGNER stated that since subject identified himself in the above-mentioned letters, a latent fingerprint comparison is unwarranted. Upon receipt of the letter and tape which was sent to COSELL, AUSA WAGNER will review and render prosecutive opinion.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

Identification Division/Latent Fingerprint Section is requested to discontinue processing letter per referenced New York airtel.

Laboratory Division/Document Section is requested to discontinue comparison of letter to anonymous letter file per referenced New York airtel. It is further requested that evidence be forwarded to the Milwaukee Division.

Technical Services Division/Engineering Section is requested to continue examination of cassette tape and upon completion forward same to Milwaukee.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

AIRTEL

DATE: 6/23/86

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: ID/LFS; LABORATORY DIVISION/DOCUMENT
SECTION; TSD/ENGINEERING SECTION)

FROM : ADIC, NEW YORK (9A-2517) (RUC) (JTF-1)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION
(OO: MI)

60630039

Enclosed for the Bureau are one letter with accompanying envelope and 90-minute cassette tape.

For information, victim received enclosures in the mail on 6/18/86. COSELL immediately turned them over to the security chief, [REDACTED] American Broadcasting Company, New York, NY, who immediately contacted the NY office of the FBI. [REDACTED] then turned over enclosures to NYO.

Enclosed letter, which is rambling in nature, indicates subject wants \$42 million from numerous people in the entertainment business. Numerous attempts to play accompanying cassette tape have met with negative results, and it appears that tape is not functional and in need of repair.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

Identification Division/Latent Fingerprint Section is requested to process enclosed letter for latents of value.

Laboratory Division/Document Section is requested to compare enclosed letter to anonymous letter file; JUL 8 1986

Technical Services Division/Engineering Section is requested to examine enclosed cassette tape, to see if it is in workable order.

- (2) Bureau (Encs. 3)
1 - Milwaukee
1 - New York

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Above results should be furnished to Milwaukee Division, in that enclosures were mailed from what appears to be address of subject. Return address is as follows:

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[REDACTED]

In view of the above, NYO is considering this case RUC.

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: ADIC, New York (9A-2517) (JTF-1)

July 23, 1986

FBI FILE NO.

9-69154-9
9-69696-1

LAB. NO.

60630039 D/E LL VT

Re:

[REDACTED]
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION

OO: Milwaukee

Examination requested by:

Addressee

Reference:

Communication dated June 23, 1986

Examination requested:

Document - Engineering - Fingerprint

Specimens received

June 30, 1986

Specimens:

- Q1 Envelope twice postmarked "UPPER THIRD ST STA MILWAUKEE WI USPO JUNE 13 1986," bearing the handwritten address "to: Mr Howard Cosell 150 E. 69th Street New York, N.Y. 10021"
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten letter beginning "My Dear Mr Howard ..."

ALSO SUBMITTED:

90 minute cassette tape

Enclosures (2)

2 - Milwaukee (9A-1826)

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Result of examination:

Q1 and Q2 were not identified in the Anonymous Letter File. Representative copies of these specimens have been added to this file for future reference.

No watermarks or indented writing of value were found on Q1 and Q2.

No latent fingerprint examinations are being conducted in this matter per instructions in Milwaukee communication dated July 1, 1986.

Q1 and Q2 were photographed and are being returned to Milwaukee. The disposition of the ALSO SUBMITTED cassette tape and the results of the examination of that tape will be furnished separately.

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6/30/86

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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To: ADIC, New York (9A-2517) (JTF-1)

Re: [REDACTED]
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION

OO: Milwaukee

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO.

YOUR NO.

Examination by: [REDACTED]

9-69154-9
~~9-69696-2~~
60630039 D/LL VT
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Examination requested by: Addressee
Reference: Communication dated June 23, 1986
Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint - *ENGINEERING*
Specimens received: June 30, 1986

Specimens:

- Q1 Envelope twice postmarked "UPPER THIRD ST STA MILWAUKEE
WI USPO JUNE 13 1986," bearing the handwritten address
"to: Mr Howard Cosell 150 E. 69th Street New York,
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ALSO SUBMITTED:

90 minute cassette tape
2 - Milwaukee (9A-1826)

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7/23/86
[REDACTED]

Report

1. Q1 + Q2 not ident. ALF.
Rep. copies added.

2. No w.m. or indented writing
Q1 - Q2.

3. No latent prints being
conducted this matter per
instructions in Milwaukee
communication dated 7/1/86.

4. Q1 + Q2 per slide. +
re returned to Milwaukee
The disposition of the
Also sub cassette tape
and the results of exam will
be furnished separately.

Examiner's Name _____

Date

7/3

Lab #

60630039

Recognition Section:

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National Fraudulent Check File

Date Searched	Date Added	
_____	_____	Signature Section
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_____	_____	Gimmick Section
_____	_____	Master Check Section
_____	_____	Counterfeit Travelers Checks
_____	_____	Counterfeit Money Orders
_____	_____	Counterfeit Checks
_____	_____	Altered Travelers Checks
_____	_____	Altered Money Orders
_____	_____	Raised Bank Checks
_____	_____	Checks prepared with False "Certified" Impressions
_____	_____	Checks prepared with Press-On Letters

Stolen Money Orders & Travelers Checks Section:

Travelers Checks - Type	# From	To #
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Money Orders - Type

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Photographed: _____

Date: _____

Roll #: _____

Evidence Files Searched

	Section(s) Searched	Date Searched	Section(s) Added	Date Added
Art				
Bank Robbery Note File				
Motor Vehicle Title				
Anonymous Letter File:	Gr. III	7/3		
Motive	Profit	Typewriter Information:		
State(s)	NY / Wisconsin			
VIP	in file for Coughlin			
Bombing				
Other				

Standards Files Searched

	Date Searched
Tire Tread	
Shoe Print	
Typewriter	
Watermark	
Office Copier	
Safety Paper	
Computer Print Out	

Remarks: Esda: nothing in this file

watermark: 70000 - 200000

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sat#1

6/30/86

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

To: ADIC, New York (9A-2517) (JTF-1)

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO.

YOUR NO.

Re: **HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION**

OO: Milwaukee

Examination by:

Examination requested by:

Addressee

Reference:

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Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint - *Engineering*

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June 30, 1986

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Howard ..."

ALSO SUBMITTED:

90 minute cassette tape

2 - Milwaukee

*Doc Lab returning Q1 & Q2.
TSD/Engineering Section
returning [redacted]*

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Enid.

Penny Prochaska
July 23rd

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my mailing address is on the other side of this sheet Date - sent June 13th 1986

please tell Crazy [redacted] I want 42 million dollars of my money when I get over there and 55 to 60 million Dollars of my money next year and in 1988 I want 80 to 95 million Dollars of my money

My Dear Mr Howard Cosell,
enclosed here you will find one ninety minute tape recording of me please play this tape and listen to it Good Because everything that I am telling you on this tape is true and and if I do say so my self somewhat underplayed. Listen to this tape two or three times you will catch on. You see Howard my Dear [redacted] man I didn't ask to be me and I know if I don't get 42 Million Dollars of my money from Crazy [redacted] tens of millions of people will be killed there is no slight of word here if I don't have my way a lot of people are going to pay dearly. You may get a chance to see first hand how ever I hope I can get my 42 Million Dollars

b7C from Crazy [redacted] and those others this year or soon as I get over there to Los angeles Ca. I am indeed some type of master link of some kind and this is all true.

By the way my Dear Howard do what ask of you on this tape please in the name of God please! and don't worry I can get my money from Crazy [redacted] so you will be paid back one hundred and ten thousand dollars that will be one hundred thousand dollars clear profit in less than 3 months time. my God Bless you and yours I love you.



My name is [REDACTED] b7C
My mailing address is 2919 1/2 Palmer Street
in the crazy city of Milwaukee and in the stupid state of Wisconsin
Zip code is ~~53212~~ 53212

please do what I am asking
of you Howard Cosell
Right Now
in the name of God



POSTAGE

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AIR MAIL

AGILE

AIR MAIL



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FRAGILE AIR MAIL



to: Mr Howard Cobell
150 E. 69th Street
New York, N.Y.
10021

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FBI

TR: SMT VIA
Teletype
Facsimile
ATTACHMENT

PRECEDENCE
Immediate
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CLASSIFICATION
TOP SECRET
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CONFIDENTIAL
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UNCLAS
Date: 5/15/82

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (92-1826) (P)

HOWARD COSENTI, VICTIMS
EXTORTION
OO: MILWAUKEE

Re Milwaukee letter to Bureau dated 5/13/82.

Enclosed for the Bureau are one copy of a letter and three copies of a self-explanatory form.

Enclosed for Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Washington Field Office are one copy of the same.

One copy of the same is being furnished to the Milwaukee Office, Milwaukee, and U.S. Attorney's Office, Milwaukee.

- 2- Bureau (Enc. 1) **ENCLOSURE**
1- Los Angeles (92-8005) (Enc. 1)
1- San Francisco (92-9216) (Enc. 1)
1- Washington Field Office (Enc. 1)
2- Milwaukee (92-1826)

Approved: [Signature] Transmitted: [Signature] (Number) (Time)



**In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.**

Milwaukee, Wisconsin
July 3, 1986

VICTIM;

**HOWARD COSELL-VICTIMS;
EXTORTION**

On April 24, 1986, [REDACTED] (noted television and movie personality) contacted the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) at Los Angeles, California, advising that he had received, via the United States Postal Service, a letter and a tape from [REDACTED] dated March 20, 1986. The letter had been sent to [REDACTED] ex-wife, [REDACTED] at his former address, [REDACTED]

Upon receipt of letter and tape from the FBI, Los Angeles, Milwaukee Division reviewed the 90-minute cassette. During the course of the tape, [REDACTED] made veiled threats against Senator [REDACTED] (Mayor of Milwaukee, Wisconsin); [REDACTED] (Milwaukee County Executive); [REDACTED] (Wisconsin State Senator), and President [REDACTED]. No overt threats were made against any of the above-mentioned individuals. Although numerous television and movie personalities besides [REDACTED] were mentioned, none were threatened. [REDACTED] did, however, request \$5,000.00 from [REDACTED].

On June 25, 1986, the following were notified in reference to the above: Senator [REDACTED] State Director for Senator [REDACTED] security personnel for Mayor [REDACTED] and Executive [REDACTED], along with appropriate local law enforcement authorities. Additionally, Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] United States Secret Service (USSS), Milwaukee, was advised of [REDACTED] tape. SA [REDACTED] stated that USSS, Los Angeles, had reviewed instant tape and concluded that no violation existed.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

CLOSURE

[REDACTED] VICTIM;
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

HOWARD COSELL-VICTIMS;
EXTORTION

SA [REDACTED] further advised that on March 18, 1986, [REDACTED] was arrested by the Brown Deer, Wisconsin Police Department and charged with threat to injure. The charge was subsequently dismissed by the Milwaukee District Attorney's Office due to lack of evidence. SA [REDACTED] reiterated that during [REDACTED] incarceration at the Winnebago Mental Health Center, Winnebago, Wisconsin, in August, 1985, a psychiatric evaluation determined that [REDACTED] was not believed to be dangerous, however, it was believed that [REDACTED] would continue this behavior pattern.

This matter was presented to Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) R. JEFFREY WAGNER, Eastern District of Wisconsin (EDW) on June 25, 1986. AUSA WAGNER advised that he would review instant matter to determine if a violation exists.

b7C The records of the Milwaukee Police Department, Bureau of Identification (B of I) number 153238, and the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office, B of I number 54280 provide the following description of [REDACTED]

Name:	[REDACTED]
Sex:	[REDACTED]
Race:	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth:	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth:	[REDACTED]
Height:	5'10"
Weight:	185 pounds
Eyes:	Brown
Hair:	Black
Complexion:	Dark brown
FBI Number:	300 745 X2
Social Security Account Number (SSAN):	[REDACTED]
Marital Status:	Single
Address:	[REDACTED]
Parents (father)	[REDACTED] deceased
(mother)	[REDACTED]
Brothers and Sisters:	None

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TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype
☐ Facsimile
☒ X Airtel

PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate
☐ Priority
☐ Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET
☐ SECRET
☐ CONFIDENTIAL
☐ UNCLAS E F T O
☐ UNCLAS

Date 9/2/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT)

FROM: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (9A-5425) (C-4) (P)

VICTIM;

HOWARD COSTELL - VICTIMS;
EXTORTION;
OO:MILWAUKEE

Re WFO airtel to Bureau, dated 7/3/86.

The United States Capitol Police has requested the status of the investigation so they can conclude their threat assessment for Senator [REDACTED]

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②-Bureau
2-Milwaukee
1-WFO

Approved: [Signature] Transmitted _____ (Number) _____ (Time) Per _____

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: September 8, 1986

TO: SAC, Milwaukee (9A-1826)

Re:

[REDACTED] VICTIM;

HOWARD COSELL-VICTIMS;
EXTORTION
OO: MILWAUKEE

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evidence

Invoice of Contents

1. one original Tone Master 90 magnetic tape cassette
with the tape remounted in a Maxell C90 magnetic
tape cassette housing (Q3)

9-69154-
☒ Return to Engineering Section
Room 2105 TL N
FBI File # 9-69696-1
Case # 60630039 D/E LL VT

☐ Mail Room: 1B327, TL 152
(registered mail)

☐ PSM - Supply Unit, 1B353
(not registered)

Shipping #

Shipping Method

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CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET
☐ SECRET
☐ CONFIDENTIAL
☐ UNCLAS E F T O
☐ UNCLAS

Date 9/17/86

CHANGED

~~HOWARD ROSE~~

(PHONETIC).

~~EXTORTION~~
~~006 MILWAUKEE~~

1 Title marked changed to reflect addition of the following victims: [REDACTED]

Re WFO airtel to Director, 9/2/86.

For information of the Bureau and receiving offices, a summary of subject's letter writing activities to date was furnished to Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) R. JEFFREY WAGNER, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on

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- 3 - Bureau
2 - Los Angeles (9A-8005)(C-1)
2 - San Francisco (9E-3946)
2 - WFO (9A-5425)(C-4)
2 - Milwaukee (9A-1826)

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Approved:

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(Number)

(Time)

Per

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8/8/86 and 8/26/86. AUSA WAGNER authorized prosecution of subject on 8/19/86, and on 9/3/86, advised that he was in the process of preparing an indictment.

Milwaukee will advise as to decision of Federal Grand Jury.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

FBI
TECHNICAL SERVICES DIVISION
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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Room 5042

Room 5236

To: ADIC, New York (9A-2517)(JTF-1)

October 1, 1986

From: Director, FBI

FBI FILE NO.

9-69696-1

Re:

LAB. NO.

60630039 D/E LL VT

VICTIM;

**HOWARD COSELL-VICTIMS;
EXTORTION
OO: MILWAUKEE**

Examination requested by: ADIC, New York

**Reference: Airtel dated June 23, 1986, Laboratory Report dated
July 23, 1986, Milwaukee Airtel dated July 1, 1986**

Examination requested: Miscellaneous

Remarks: The tape repair was performed by SA

Enclosures 2- (2 Technical Services Division Reports)

**2 - Milwaukee (9A-1826) Enclosures 2 (2 Technical Services Division
Reports)**

ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

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**REPORT
of the
FBI
TECHNICAL SERVICES DIVISION
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: ADIC, New York (9A-2517)(JTF-1)

October 1, 1986

CT 9-54157-14
FBI FILE NO. 9-69696-1

LAB. NO. 60630039 D/E LL VT

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Re: [REDACTED]

VICTIM;

HOWARD COSELL-VICTIMS;
EXTORTION

Specimens received June 30, 1986

Q3 One ToneMaster 90 magnetic tape cassette marked in part
"June 12th 1986"

Result of examination:

An examination of specimen Q3 revealed that it played backwards because the tape was twisted inside the housing. The tape was removed and remounted in a Maxell C90 magnetic tape cassette housing.

Specimen Q3 was forwarded to the Milwaukee Office via registered mail on September 8, 1986.

[REDACTED] (10)
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7/7/86
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6/30/86

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

To: ADIC, New York (9A-2517) (JTF-1)

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO.

60630039 D/LL VT

YOUR NO.

HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION

OO: Milwaukee

Examination by:

Examination requested by:

Addressee

Reference:

Communication dated June 23, 1986

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint - Engineering

Specimens received:

June 30, 1986

Specimens:

- Q1 Envelope twice postmarked "UPPER THIRD ST STA MILWAUKEE WI USPO JUNE 13 1986," bearing the handwritten address "to: Mr Howard Cosell 150 E. 69th Street New York, N.Y. 10021"
- Q2 Accompanying handwritten letter beginning "My Dear Mr Howard ..."

ALSO SUBMITTED:

90 minute cassette tape

2 - Milwaukee

(9A-1826)

WORKSHEET

60630039 DLL E-1

Q 3 One Tone Master 90 mtc mtp "June 12th 1986"

Observations: I punched tabs

1) Developed Tape: Note 680 off and ALV reflects both sides recorded in their entirety - developed - each side has one track taking up entire side of tape - ie old recorder

2) Content: & in playback the tape is playing backwards.

3) Beg End Comm. opened housing - tape was twisted - corrected

4) Intelligibility: it but wouldn't fast forward without stopping - remounted it in a Maxell

5) FFT: C90 housing - plays well and FFW &

6) Length: Reverse well - ~~some~~ sounds like monologue

7) Quality: Distortion: of black male on both sides

Reverb: easily & completely intelligible

N/F: - metal reflects probably

Cov-Soft & Loud passages: declination - mentally ill

Bassy:

Background Noise:

Offspeed or Wow & Flutter:

Q1 returned in plastic envelope in which received - no FD 504

Enh. of Q ()

1. played back on:

2. thru

3. thru

4. thru

5. thru

6. enh copy(s)

a.

b.

7. PD.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: September 8, 1986

TO: SAC, Milwaukee (9A-1826)

Re: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] VICTIM;

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HOWARD COSELL-VICTIMS;
EXTORTION
OO: MILWAUKEE

evidence

1. one original Tone Master 90 magnetic tape cassette
with the tape remounted in a Maxell C90 magnetic
tape cassette housing (Q))

Invoice of Contents

☒ Return to Engineering Section
Room 2105 TL Newington
FBI File # 9-69696-1
Case # 60630039 D/E LL VT

☐ Mail Room: 1B327, TL 152
(registered mail)

☐ PSM - Supply Unit, 1B353
(not registered)

Shipping # _____

Shipping Method _____

FBI/DOJ

LABORATORY
FBI
60630039 D LL A/S

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D.C.

WPC 1754
MADE IN HONG KONG

FBI 03 60630039

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FBI

TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype
☐ Facsimile
☒ Airtel (Airmail)

PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate
☐ Priority
☐ Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET
☐ SECRET
☐ CONFIDENTIAL
☐ E F T O
☐ CLEAR

Date 9/26/79

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, LATENT FINGERPRINT AND
 DOCUMENT SECTIONS

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (9-NEW) (P)

UNSUB;
 HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
 EXTORTION (A)
 OO: MILWAUKEE

90928067

Re Milwaukee teletype to Bureau, 9/24/79.

Enclosed for the Bureau is an extortionate letter regarding HOWARD COSELL with envelope addressed to Brown County Sheriff's Office, Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301, postmarked Bushnell, Illinois, 9/21/79.

For information FBI Laboratory, Latent Fingerprint and Document Sections, on 9/24/79, Captain [redacted] Brown County Sheriff's Office (BCSO), Green Bay, Wisconsin, advised SA [redacted] Green Bay Resident Agency, Milwaukee Division, that his department was in receipt of an extortionate letter.

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- ③ - Bureau (Enc. 1) (RM)
 1 - New York (Info)
 1 - Springfield (Info)
 2 - Milwaukee

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SEP 23 1979

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Approved: [Signature]

Transmitted

(Number)

(Time)

Per

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 Copy and Specimens retained in Lab
 for Lab Action and Report

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☐ UNCLAS

Date 9/26/86

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 (ATTN: PERSONAL CRIMES UNIT)

FROM: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (9A-5425) (C-4) (RUC)

[REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] VICTIM;
 [REDACTED]

HOWARD COSTELL-VICTIM; EXTORTION;
 OO: MILWAUKEE

RE: *9-69154-12*
 WFO airtel to Bureau, 9/2/86, and Milwaukee airtel
 Bureau, 7/3/86.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Inasmuch as the UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE have been provided all details contained in Milwaukee airtel to the Director (dated 7/3/86) and considered the matter resolved, WFO will place incidents in RUC'd status.

b7C However, WFO requests to be advised if prosecution occurs.

②-Bureau
 2-Milwaukee
 1-WFO

[REDACTED]
 (5)

9-69154-15
 [REDACTED]
 10 OCT 2 1986
 [REDACTED]

Approved: *[Signature]*

Transmitted

(Number)

(Time)

Per

11 OCT 17 1987
[Handwritten initials]

MI 9-NEW

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The above-listed individuals were all aware of the fact that HOWARD COSELL, sportscaster, ABC Sports, New York, is tentatively scheduled to broadcast the nationally televised football game involving the Green Bay Packers and the New England Patriots.

REQUEST OF THE FBI LABORATORY

Latent Fingerprint Section

The Latent Fingerprint Section is requested to process enclosed letter with envelope for latent fingerprints.

Document Section

Upon completion of latent examinations, the Document Section is requested to conduct searches through the appropriate section of the anonymous letter file in an effort to identify unknown subject responsible for enclosed letter with envelope.



1 - Mr. Avignone

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

MT
To: SAC, Milwaukee (9-NEW)

October 3, 1979

From: Director, FBI

FBI FILE NO.

Re: UNSUB; *DO NOT*
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION (A)

LAB. NO. 90928067 D MG

OO: Milwaukee

Examination requested by:

Milwaukee

Reference:

9-64774-1
Airtel dated September 26, 1979

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

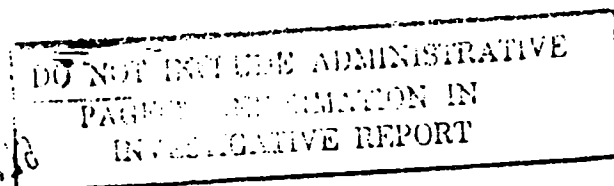
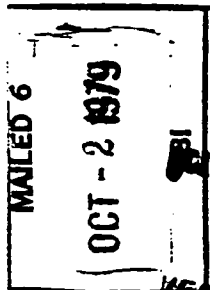
Remarks:

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Milwaukee (9-NEW)

October 3, 1979

FBI FILE NO.

9-649774-2

LAB. NO.

90928067 D MG

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION (A)

Specimens received September 28, 1979

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "BUSHNELL, IL 61422 SEP 21 AM 1979" bearing the typewritten address "Brown County Sheriff's Office Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301"
- Q2 Accompanying typewritten letter beginning "If Howard Cosell . . ."

Result of examination:

The submitted evidence was searched through the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Appropriate copies have been added for future reference.

The type style on Q1 and Q2 most closely resembles Laboratory standards for a type style used by L. C. Smith company.

No watermarks, indented writing or other identifiable characteristics were noted.

The submitted evidence will be returned with the results of the latent fingerprint examination.

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10/1/79

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

AVIGNONE

Laboratory Work Sheet

To: SAC, Milwaukee (9-NEW)

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION (A)

OO: Milwaukee

FBI FILE NO. 9-64774-2

LAB. NO. 90928067 D MG

YOUR NO.

Examination by:

Examination requested by: Milwaukee

Reference: Airtel dated September 26, 1979

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Specimens received: September 28, 1979

- Q1 Envelope postmarked "BUSHNELL, IL 61422 SEP 21 AM 1979" bearing the typewritten address "Brown County Sheriff's Office Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301"
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① SEARCH ALP / NCR
③ NO COM, IN, A OTHER IDENT CONTR
NOTED.

② TYPE style D, E, most close
des. LS FOR A ^{style} USED BY LC SMIL.

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L. C. SMITH (USA)

Formule

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1

a

2

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Modele : Bureau

Fabricant : LC Smith & Corona

Lieu de fabrication : U S A

Années :

Matricule : 1362. 59I G II

Type de caractères : PICA

Fabrique de caractères : origine (U.S.A)

Hauteur du " M " : 2.90 mm

Hauteur du " u " : 2.00 mm

Motion :

Largeur max papier : 872 mm

Type de clavier : europeen

interligne : 4 et 6 mm

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QQ	SS	DD	FF	GG	HH	JJ	KK	LL	MM
qq	ss	dd	ff	gg	hh	jj	kk	ll	mm
WW	XX	CC	VV	BB	NN	??	..	//	++
ww	xx	cc	vv	bb	nn	,,	;;	::	==

1 interligne : peux-tu m'envoyer de ce bon vieux whjsky comme celui que
j'ai bu chez françois le frère du forgeron du village

2 interlignes: PEUX TU M ENVOYER DE CE BON VIEUX WHISKY COMME CELUI QUE
J AI BU CHEZ FRANCOIS LE FRERE DU FORGERON DU VILLAGE

90128067

01 White envelope black type one red, white
blue US stamp 151
9.5" x 4.1" .0051

02 Piece of white paper, black type
5.5" x 1.1 - 5.5" .0031



note - letter "O" type, through paper

R



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10/1/79
[REDACTED]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

AVIGNONE

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FBI FILE NO. 9-64774-2

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION (A)

LAB. NO. 90928067 D MG

YOUR NO.

OO: Milwaukee

Examination by:

Examination requested by: Milwaukee

Reference: Airtel dated September 26, 1979

Examination requested: Document Fingerprint

Specimens received: September 28, 1979

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1979" bearing the typewritten address "Brown County
Sheriff's Office Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301"

Q2 Accompanying typewritten letter beginning "If
Howard Cosell . . ."

Spec exam LFPS + ret as encl 10/4/79 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Brown County Sheriff's Office
Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301



6/4/79
[redacted]
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90928067 D Q1 MG

44/72/1
[REDACTED]
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If Howard Casell comes to Green Bay
on October 1, I'm going to kill him. And your
sheriff's department can't stop me.

90928067 D Q2 MG

RECEIVED
TELETYPE UNIT

26 SEP 79 19 09z
C14

FEDERAL BUREAU
OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Boyleston

(C-14)

UNCLAS E 10/17/17

DE MOBILE

DE ALB

26 SEP 1979 19 09z

FM LAS VEGAS (9-NEW) (P)

TO DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

FROM LAS VEGAS (PRIORITY)

RE

UNCLAS E 10/17/17

SUBJECT: HOMICIDE - HONOR A. ROYNTON, JR.

RE: HONOR A. ROYNTON - VICTIM: EXTORTION (A), OO: MILWAUKEE.

RE TELCAL FROM EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR HOMER A. ROYNTON, JR. TO LAS VEGAS, SEPTEMBER 26, 1979.

HONOR A. ROYNTON WAS CONTACTED INSTANT DATE BY SUPERVISOR OF [REDACTED] AND WAS ADVISED OF CONTENTS OF THREE

LETTERS THREATENING HIS LIFE RECEIVED BY THE WISCONSIN COUNTY

SHERIFF'S OFFICE, GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN, ON SEPTEMBER 24, 1979.

ROYNTON WAS MOST APPRECIATIVE OF THE BUREAU'S INTEREST IN THIS

MATTER AND EXPRESSED A DESIRE THAT HE BE ASSIGNED APPROPRIATE

PROTECTION WHILE IN GREEN BAY AS WAS DONE IN BUFFALO IN A CIVIL

PROSECUTION. ROYNTON HAS FURNISHED THE CASE AGENT'S NAME AND

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9-64011-3

SEP 28 1979

BS

5900101913

RG

PAGE TWO AM (9-111) UNCLAS E F T O

SHORT NUMBER IN THE GREEN BAY RESIDENT AGENCY AND WAS ADVISED
THAT THE BUREAU IS WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE BROWN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN THIS MATTER.

COBELL ADVISED THAT HE WOULD BE AT CASINO PALACE IN
~~LAS VEGAS~~ ^{NV} UNTIL SATURDAY, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS DEPARTING FOR
NEW YORK. HE CURRENTLY PLANS TO ARRIVE IN GREEN BAY ON SUNDAY
AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 30, 1979. COBELL ADVISED THAT HE WOULD
CONTACT THE LAS VEGAS OFFICE IF ANY THREATS WERE RECEIVED
DURING HIS STAY HERE.

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FM MILWAUKEE (9-NEW) P

TO DIRECTOR ROUTINE

NEW YORK ROUTINE

SPRINGFIELD ROUTINE

UNCLAS

UNSUB: HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM: EXTORTION (4); OO: MILWAUKEE.

FOR INFORMATION RECEIVING OFFICES, ON SEPT. 24, 1979,
CAPT. [REDACTED] BROWN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE,
GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN, ADVISED BUREAU AGENT THAT HIS DEPARTMENT
WAS IN RECEIPT OF EXTORTIONATE-TYPE LETTER.

[REDACTED] (SUPRA) ADVISED LETTER ADDRESSED TO "BROWN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE, GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN, 54301." ALSO, LETTER
IS TYPEWRITTEN AND STATES "IF HOWARD COSELL COMES TO GREEN BAY
ON OCTOBER 1, I'M GOING TO KILL HIM. AND YOUR SHERIFF'S
DEPARTMENT CAN'T STOP ME." [REDACTED] SAID LETTER WAS PRESUMABLY
DIRECTED TOWARD HOWARD COSELL, SPORTSCASTER WITH ABC TELEVISION.

ON SEPT. 24, 1979, AUSA MICHAEL J. TROST, EDW, MILWAUKEE

RECEIVED
TELETYPE UNIT

25 SEP 79 00 36z

FEDERAL BUREAU
OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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PAGE TWO MI 9-NEW UNCLAS

ADVISED. ON SAME DATE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GREEN BAY PACKERS PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL TEAM, INC.,
1265 LOMBARD I AVENUE, GREEN BAY (BROWN COUNTY), WISCONSIN,
ADVISED. [REDACTED] STATED ON OCT. 1, 1979, A MONDAY NIGHT GAME WAS
SCHEDULED BETWEEN GREEN BAY PACKERS AND NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS.
HE SAID THIS WAS A NATIONALLY TELEVISED GAME BY ABC SPORTS.

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ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED SPRINGFIELD AS LETTER ORIGINATED
FROM BUSHNELL (MC DONOUGH COUNTY), ILLINOIS.

MILWAUKEE ACQUIRING ORIGINAL LETTER WITH ACCOMPANYING
ENVELOPE FOR SUBMISSION TO FBIHQ, LABORATORY DIVISION.

NEW YORK AT NEW YORK. WILL AT HEADQUARTERS, ABC SPORTS,
ADVISE HOWARD COSELL THAT EXTORTIONATE-TYPE LETTER RECEIVED BY
BROWN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN, IN VIEW OF
COSELL'S ANTICIPATED APPEARANCE AT GREEN BAY ON OCT. 1, 1979,
FOR GREEN BAY PACKERS VS. NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS, WHICH IS A
NATIONALLY TELEVISED FOOTBALL GAME.

BT



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT

of the

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LATENT CASE NO. B-78471

October 4, 1979

TO: SAC, Milwaukee

RE: UNSUB. *(handwritten circle around UNSUB.)*
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 9-26-79
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Milwaukee
SPECIMENS: Envelope, Q1
Letter, Q2

This report supplements and confirms Bucal on
10-1-79.

The specimens are further described in a separate
Laboratory report.

Two latent fingerprints of value were developed
on Q1. No latent prints of value were developed on Q2.

The specimens are enclosed.

MAILED 3
OCT 5 1979
FBI

Assoc. Dir. _____
Dep. AD Adm. _____
Dep. AD Inv. _____
Asst. Dir.: _____
Adm. Servs. _____
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10/1/79FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

AVIGNONE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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To: SAC, Milwaukee (9-NEW) (P)

Recorded: 10/1/79

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION (X)

00: Milwaukee

FBI FILE NO. 9-67771-5

LAB. NO. 90928067 D MG

YOUR NO.

LC# B-78471

Examination by:

Examiner: [REDACTED]

Noted By: [REDACTED]

Examination requested by: Milwaukee

Reference: Airtel dated September 26, 1979

Examination requested: Document fingerprint

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10/1/79 [REDACTED]

Specimen I - N.W. - to photo

What for of val document (Q1) - No lat of val P2

Specimen SN - no add lat doc (

Specimen (2)

Info to typewritten letter to SA [REDACTED]

1 FL

Examination completed 306P
Time10/1/79
DateDictated 10/2/79
Date

FBI/DOJ

x

(Airmail)

9/26/79

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, LATENT FINGERPRINT AND
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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
SEPTEMBER 25, 1979

In attached teletype the Milwaukee Division advises of extortion of ABC, Television Sportscaster, Howard Cosell.

On 9/24/79, the Brown County Sheriff's Office, Green Bay, Wisconsin, received typed letter that states "If Howard Cosell comes to Green Bay on October 1, I'm going to kill him. And your Sheriff's Department can't stop me."

AUSA EDW, Milwaukee, advised of above facts.

It was determined a nationally televised game is scheduled for 10/1/79, with the Green Bay Packers playing host to the New England Patriots.

Milwaukee to acquire original letter for submission to FBI Laboratory. Postmark reveals letter mailed from Bushnell, Illinois.

The New York Division is to contact Mr. Cosell to advise of contents of letter.

- 1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
1 - Mr. Colwell
1 - Mr. Boynton

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APPROVED: [REDACTED]

Director
Exec. AD-Adm.
Exec. AD-Inv.
Exec. AD-LES

Adm. Serv.
Crim. Inv.

Ident.
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Laboratory

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Tech. Servs.
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office MILWAUKEE	Office of Origin MILWAUKEE	Date 10/23/79	Investigative Period 9/24/79 - 10/10/79
Title of Case UNSUB: ^Q HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM C-1, D-1		Report made by SA [REDACTED]	Typed By [REDACTED]
		Character of Case EXTORTION (A) <i>b7C</i> <i>45 3</i>	

~~SUMMARY~~
PROSECUTIVE

REFERENCE: Milwaukee teletype to Bureau, 9/24/79.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

PROSECUTIVE REPORT OF INVESTIGATION CONCERNING

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION

MI 9-1648

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Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: 10/23/79

Office: Milwaukee

Field Office File #: MI 9-1648

Bureau File #:

Narrative of Offense:

Official, Brown County Sheriff's Office, Green Bay, Wisconsin, advised BuAgent, Green Bay, his department was in receipt of an extortionate type letter. The letter from the State of Illinois, stated, "If Howard Cosell comes to Green Bay on October 1, I'm going to kill him. And your sheriff's department can't stop me." AUSA, Eastern District of Wisconsin, requested FBI conduct extortion investigation to identify unknown subject. Cosell appeared in Green Bay, Wisconsin, on behalf of ABC Sports, to broadcast nationally televised football game, Green Bay Packers versus New England Patriots, on 10/1/79, without incident. On 10/10/79, AUSA declined prosecution.

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PROSECUTIVE STATUS:

1. On 9/24/79, AUSA Michael J. Trost, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was advised of extortion letter received at the Brown County Sheriff's Office, making extortionate type threat toward Howard Cosell, ABC Sports, New York, New York. AUSA Trost stated because of the seriousness of the threat and because of the feasibility of Howard Cosell being in Green Bay on 10/1/79, he was desirous of having the FBI Laboratory process the original letter with envelope in an effort to identify unknown subject.
2. On 10/10/79, AUSA Trost was recontacted. He was advised that unknown person who had furnished letter from State of Illinois to Brown County Sheriff's Office threatening Howard Cosell, had not been identified. Further, Howard Cosell appeared at Green Bay, Wisconsin, on 10/1/79 to broadcast nationally televised football game, Green Bay Packers versus New England Patriots without incident. AUSA Trost stated he would decline prosecution in that subject was not identifiable and victim Cosell had appeared at Green Bay on 10/1/79 without incident.

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MISCELLANEOUS INVESTIGATION:

On 9/24/79, [REDACTED] Green Bay Packers Professional Football Team, Inc., 1265 Lombardi Avenue, Green Bay, Wisconsin, was advised of the letter which had been received by the Brown County Sheriff's Office, Green Bay. Also, on 9/24/79, Captain [REDACTED] Detective Division, Green Bay, Wisconsin, Police Department, was advised of the letter received by the Brown County Sheriff's Office.

The above-listed individuals were all aware of the fact that Howard Cosell, sportscaster, ABC Sports, New York, is tentatively scheduled to broadcast the nationally televised football game involving the Green Bay Packers and the New England Patriots.

On 9/26/79, the Las Vegas Division of the FBI advised as follows:

Howard Cosell was contacted and was apprised of the contents of typed letter threatening his life received by the Brown County Sheriff's Office, Green Bay, Wisconsin, on 9/24/79. Cosell was most appreciative of the Bureau's interest in this matter and expressed a desire that he be afforded appropriate security while in Green Bay as was done in Buffalo in a similar situation. Cosell was furnished Agent's name and phone number in the Green Bay Resident Agency of the FBI and was advised that the FBI is working closely with the Brown County Sheriff's Office in this matter.

Cosell advised that he would be at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas until Saturday, at which time he was departing for New York. He currently plans to arrive in Green Bay on Sunday afternoon, September 30, 1979. Cosell advised that he would contact the Las Vegas Office if any threats were received during his stay there.

On 9/26/79, [REDACTED] American Broadcasting Company (ABC), New York, New York, telephone 212/887-5321, advised that

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MISCELLANEOUS INVESTIGATION, CONT.:

he had heard on this date from FBI, New York, that a threatening letter had been received by the Brown County Sheriff's Office concerning Howard Cosell. [REDACTED] was advised that the Green Bay Resident Agency of the FBI was aware of this letter and in fact it had been turned over to this office and forwarded to the FBI Laboratory in Washington, D.C. It was also advised that appropriate leads had been set forth concerning the matter.

[REDACTED] said that in the event further urgent information should be forthcoming concerning this matter he can be reached at the above number or in his absence the director of security, [REDACTED] can be reached at telephone 212/887-7119.

b7C [REDACTED] said the man in charge of the Monday night football broadcast by ABC in Green Bay on 10/1/79 will be [REDACTED] who intends to arrive in Green Bay on Friday, 9/28/79, and will be lodged at the Holiday Inn, exact location not yet known. [REDACTED] advised Howard Cosell will be staying at the Ramada Inn near Green Bay, but his exact itinerary is not known at this time.

[REDACTED] further stated that he has been in telephonic contact with both the Chief and Deputy Chief of the Green Bay Police Department and Captain [REDACTED] of the Brown County Sheriff's Office concerning this matter. He does not know their exact plans yet but they will probably furnish private security for Mr. Cosell in addition to local security arrangements they have made with local authorities.

On 9/26/79, [REDACTED] (Legal Section, ABC Sports), New York City, telephone 212/887-5042, was advised of the extortionate-type letter which was received by the Brown County Sheriff's Office on 9/24/79, [REDACTED] stated Howard Cosell is scheduled to appear in Green Bay on 10/1/79 for the Green Bay Packers versus New England Patriots football game which will be nationally televised.

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MISCELLANEOUS INVESTIGATION, CONT.:

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Brock stated that since the aforementioned letter was indeed threatening to Howard Cosell, he would ensure that Howard Cosell is advised in regards to this matter. [REDACTED] stated that Howard Cosell will appear in Green Bay on 10/1/79 and no schedule changes are anticipated at this time.

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SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL REPORTS:

**REPORT
of the**



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: **SAC, Milwaukee (9-NEW)**

October 3, 1979

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO. **90928067 D MG**

Re: **UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
EXTORTION (A)**

Specimens received **September 28, 1979**

- Q1** Envelope postmarked "BUSHNELL, IL 61422 SEP 21 AM 1979" bearing the typewritten address "Brown County Sheriff's Office Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301"
- Q2** Accompanying typewritten letter beginning "If Howard Cosell . . ."

Result of examination:

The submitted evidence was searched through the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification. Appropriate copies have been added for future reference.

The type style on Q1 and Q2 most closely resembles Laboratory standards for a type style used by L. C. Smith company.

No watermarks, indented writing or other identifiable characteristics were noted.

The submitted evidence will be returned with the results of the latent fingerprint examination.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT

of the

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LATENT CASE NO. B-78471

October 4, 1979

TO: SAC, Milwaukee

RE: UNSUB.; ✓
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 9-26-79
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Milwaukee
SPECIMENS: Envelope, Q1
Letter, Q2

This report supplements and confirms Bucal on
10-1-79.

The specimens are further described in a separate
Laboratory report.

Two latent fingerprints of value were developed
on Q1. No latent prints of value were developed on Q2.

The specimens are enclosed.

Enc. (2)

Memorandum

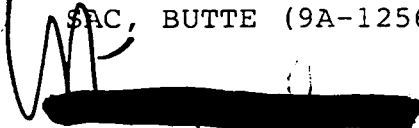


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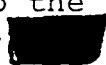
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From : SAC, BUTTE (9A-1256) (C)

Subject :  aka;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION
OO: Butte
Butte file 9A-1256

(See page 2 for additional Titles)

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Re New York teletype to Butte, dated 9/24/82, captioned  Howard Cosell - Victim, Extortion"; WFO teletype to the Bureau, dated 9/15/82; Butte teletype to the Bureau, dated 9/16/82; and Butte airtel to the Bureau, dated 9/20/82, captioned "Unsub; Threat Against U. S. Supreme Court Justice Warren Burger - Victim; Extortion"; Brooklyn-Queens airtel to the Bureau, dated 9/3/82; Brooklyn-Queens teletype to the Bureau, dated 9/3/82; Butte teletype to the Bureau, dated 9/9/82; Butte airtel to the Bureau, dated 9/20/82; and FBI Laboratory reports, dated 9/29/82 and 10/13/82, captioned "Unsub, Threat to Bomb Unknown Lufthansa Aircraft, 9/10/82, DAMW"; Butte teletype to Bureau, dated 9/4/82; and Seattle teletype to the Bureau, dated 9/6/82, captioned "15 MAY ORGANIZATION,  - PFLP - TERRORISM, OO: Detroit".

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UNSUB;
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VICTIM
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Butte File 9A-1254 (C)

UNSUB;
THREAT TO BOMB UNKNOWN LUFTHANSA
AIRCRAFT.
9/10/82
DAMW
Butte File 149A-180 (C)

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OO: Detroit
Butte File 199-123 (RUC)

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Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and seven copies of an LHM captioned [REDACTED]

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Enclosed for New York are four copies of this same LHM and for additional recipients of this communication, two copies have been enclosed.

As set forth in the LHM, [REDACTED] has been identified as the author of four extortion letters, representing the cases captioned above. Receiving offices have been provided with copies of the LHM for their respective files, as well as for dissemination to appropriate agencies where deemed necessary.

In view of the USA's opinion, Billings, Montana, no further investigation is contemplated by the Butte Division in any of the captioned matters. A copy of the LHM has been provided to the USA, Billings, Montana, to confirm his opinion and also to the US Secret Service, Great Falls, Montana for their information.

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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Butte, Montana 59702
December 23, 1982

b7C [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] an inmate at Montana State Prison,
Deer Lodge, Montana, has been identified as the author of the
following described letters:

A letter from [REDACTED] Deer Lodge,
Montana, dated August 23, 1982 to Howard Cosell and quoted as
follows:

"You will now die because of your
government lies. KXLF TV 4, Butte,
will also die and all ABC TV will
be murdered. You all tell lies
and bullshit. I be out in October
and will be there to get you and
all ABC government liars.

Enjoy all you can now time is running
out on all of you.

Liars Liars

Liars Liars

You all will die this is serious.
You make me go crazy and want to
kill - including the PB."

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JAN 12/30/93 1982 [REDACTED]

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your agency.

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[REDACTED]

A handwritten letter on yellow-lined paper, which bore a return address of P. O. Box 7, Deer Lodge, Montana, addressed to Pan American Airlines, Seattle-Tacoma Airport, Attention: Operations Manager, 98420 (which is incorrect zip code). The letter was dated August 26, 1982, and is quoted as follows:

"Dear Pan Am,
You now are on what one calls notice! I have arranged everything! The contract on your airlines is out and paid for. Several locations and various flights will be blown up at what one might call random. You support the Israel government therefore must pay. The PLO would mean peace but no you at Pam Am want more conflict. You tell government lies therefore must pay. And pay you will with loss of planes and offices thru-out the country. They start going boom September, 10; unless of course you come out and support and PLO, Irag and Iran and help save our oil and gas supplies to our country. I will be watching TV for your reply. Act now or suffer the pains of being anti peace!"

A letter, dated August 27, 1982, with a return address of Box 7, Deer Lodge, Montana, 59722, captioned "Lufthansa 1640 Heamstead Turnpike, East Medow, New York, 11554, which is quoted as follows:

"Sirs - you, like Pan Am must now suffer my wrath. I have arranged your airlines demise. Oh yes, very sneaky I am and able to do this easily. The phone works wonders anyhow.

[REDACTED]

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You like Israel not PLO for peace? I know you do so your planes will start going boom as well and at random, along with various offices.

You tell government lies like Cosell and ABC TV and Pan Am so suffer with them at my mericy. I have now so September 10 be on the lookout. You can't catch me nor stop me. Only I have the power to stop your fate. Go on TV and I'll watch to see that you comply. Then I'll cancel my orders to my crew. You have only to September 10 !!"

A letter, dated September 7, 1982, on plain paper, with no return address, which is quoted as follows:

"Warren Burger Supreme Court, you do ratten mean things to us and hurt us. Now you will pay dearly for your crimes! Your a worse criminal than Hitler ever was. My crew will get you. I've arranged all. Think about that!! You can't hide now crook ---creep."

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[REDACTED] was interviewed on September 20, 1982, at the Montana State Prison, Deer Lodge, Montana, and readily admitted writing the letter to Howard Cosell. At that time, he also admitted writing threatening letters to Pan American Airlines, Lufthansa Airlines, and Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Burger. The full text of the interview with [REDACTED] follows:

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10/5/82

Date of transcription

[redacted] while in custody at the Montana State Prison (MSP) was advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents as Special Agents of the FBI, after which he was furnished an "Interrogation and Advice of Rights" form which he read. He was, thereafter, advised that it was desired to interview him concerning threatening letters, after which he signed the Waiver of Rights, indicating his willingness to talk to the FBI.

[redacted] was advised that a letter written by him to the ABC-TV Sports in New York, Attention: Cosell, had been referred to the FBI. He was advised further that the letter which was dated August 23, 1982, was specifically addressed to Howard Cosell and made reference to the fact that he would die as well as employees of the KXLF-TV Station in Butte, Montana, and all ABC-TV employees. [redacted] stated that he had in fact written a letter and explained that he was watching television and Howard Cosell was the announcer. Howard Cosell announced some scores of various games and an excerpt which came on television later indicated that Howard Cosell had lied and given the wrong scores. [redacted] stated that he "made me mad" so he wrote the letter to Cosell. [redacted] stated that writing such a letter "made me feel better."

b7C When asked if he had written other similar letters, [redacted] stated that he recalled writing possibly eight such letters. He specifically recalled writing letters to Pan American Airlines, Lufthansa Airlines, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Warren Berger, and an unknown embassy.

Relative to the airlines letters, [redacted] stated that he had seen ads in the newspapers regarding special fares and within a very few days, the airlines had withdrawn the offer for the special fares. [redacted] once again stated, "They made me mad," so he wrote the letters. [redacted] recalled that he had stated in the letter that he would blow their planes up.

Relative to the letter addressed to Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Berger, [redacted] stated that he had read a news article in the "Missoulian," a daily Missoula, Montana, newspaper which pertained to Senate Bill 1437. [redacted] stated that Chief Justice Berger wants to keep people like himself in jail and "he is mean." Once again, [redacted] indicated this made him mad and he immediately wrote the letter to Chief Justice Warren Berger.

Investigation on 9/30/82 at Deer Lodge, Montana File # BT #9A-1256

SA [redacted] and
by SA [redacted] Date dictated 10/1/82

[REDACTED] stated that he had told his counselor that he had written "bomb letters." [REDACTED] told his counselor that when he gets mad, he sends the "bomb letters." [REDACTED] identified his former counselor as [REDACTED] but he stated he did not know the name of his current counselor and added that he did not like his current counselor. [REDACTED] explained that his current counselor is a police officer and a social worker the next day.

When asked why he had identified himself as the writer of the letter addressed to Howard Cosell and had not identified himself on any of the other letters, he claimed that he did not know the reason. [REDACTED] stated that it could have been how big a hurry he was to get the letter mailed.

b7C [REDACTED] claimed that he had no idea that writing such letters was a Federal violation. [REDACTED] was specifically advised that a letter containing the type threats that were referred to in the letters which he had admitted writing were definitely violations of Federal law.

[REDACTED] stated that he wrote each of the letters on impulse when he was mad, and even if he was out of prison, he would have no reason to carry out such threats. In fact, [REDACTED] stated, "I have a lot better things to do than that."

The following description of [REDACTED] was obtained by interview and observation:

Name	[REDACTED]
Date of Birth	[REDACTED]
Place of Birth	[REDACTED]
Sex	[REDACTED]
Race	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 9"
Weight	120 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Light Brown
Montana State	[REDACTED]
Prison	[REDACTED]
Tattoos	[REDACTED]

BT #9A-1256

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]
and SA [REDACTED]

AT DEER LODGE, MONTANA

On September 30, 1982, [REDACTED] Montana State Prison (MSP), and also [REDACTED] furnished a copy of a typewritten letter which had been addressed to [REDACTED]. The letter was dated September 2, 1982, but was unsigned. The letter had reference to various things that [REDACTED] had been saying or was involved in. [REDACTED] believed that the letter had actually been typed by [REDACTED] himself, although that fact had not been definitely established.

[REDACTED] also stated that he has a file of many letters which had been sent out of the prison by [REDACTED] which are definitely relating to mail fraud matters. This information has been furnished to the Postal Inspector's Office and they are working a case on these matters.

07C [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] is "crazy like a fox," and he further advised that he believes that [REDACTED] is trying to work some sort of a scam which will allow him to leave the Montana State Prison.

[REDACTED] also stated that [REDACTED] mail is being screened and [REDACTED] has been advised by an official communication from the Warden's Office that his mail is being screened. Mail which is not deemed appropriate is sent back to [REDACTED].

On September 30, 1982, [REDACTED] the MSP, advised that she is very familiar with [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was very reluctant to make a statement relative to whether or not [REDACTED] is capable of violence; however, she did state that [REDACTED] has never given any indication of physical violence since being incarcerated at the MSP.

[REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as a paranoid, from the clinical standpoint, and angry, and an impulsive person with very poor judgment and a very passive-type individual. [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] is very demanding of the clinical staff and becomes very angry if they do not respond quickly to his requests.

When [REDACTED] was advised of the letters which [REDACTED] had admitted writing, she stated that she could very easily

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visualize [REDACTED] writing such letters. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] is medicated with tranquilizers.

[REDACTED]

The FBI Laboratory, Washington, D. C., made handwriting comparisons of known handwriting of [REDACTED] and the four above described letters. It was concluded that the letter written to Pan American Airlines and the letter to Lufthansa Aircraft were both written by [REDACTED]. Unexplained variations precluded a definite conclusion, although similarities were observed in comparing the letter to Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Burger.

Special Agent [REDACTED] U. S. Secret Service, Great Falls, Montana, has advised that he is familiar with [REDACTED]. Special Agent [REDACTED] added that [REDACTED] had made admissions during 1980 to violations of law within the investigative jurisdiction of the Secret Service. Special Agent [REDACTED] stated that it appeared at that time that [REDACTED] motive was to gain his release from Montana State Prison and be sentenced in a Federal facility.

[REDACTED] wrote a letter, dated October 8, 1982, to the U. S. Attorney's Office, Federal Building, Butte, Montana, which is quoted as follows:

"Dear Sir,
In regards to my bomb and threat
letters of September!

It would be in everyone's best
interest if you did charge and
convict me of these letters as
soon as possible.

I see no reason on earth to let
these go without doing something
to me.

No reason for a big trial I will
plead guilty to the charges in
exchange for 10 years in Federal
prison and my immediate removal
from Montana State Prison. This
surely is fair.

Those people I wrote deserve those
letters and what ever may happen
to them.

I'd hope you'll have this finished
before Xmas. I'm not crazy either
so don't think that !!

Await hearing from you soon.

Sincerely, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

By letter dated October 18, 1982, U. S. Attorney Byron H. Dunbar, Billings, Montana, furnished a copy of the above letter to the FBI, Butte, Montana. Mr. Dunbar, in his letter, stated in part, "I should add my own personal opinion, which is that a prisoner who is in State Prison, should not be able to use the Federal Law in an effort to be incarcerated in a prison of his choice." A copy of Mr. Dunbar's letter was also sent to [REDACTED] at the Montana State Prison. b7C

During subsequent contacts with U. S. Attorney Dunbar, he reiterated his opinion as set forth in the letter dated October 18, 1982, and stated that he would decline prosecution at this time.

In view of the above, the FBI, Butte Division, is conducting no additional investigation into these matters.

FBI

Date: 12/31/74

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Via _____

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL, REGISTERED

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY - DOCUMENT SECTION

FROM: [REDACTED] DENVER (9-2317) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL -
VICTIM
EXTORTION
OO: DENVER

Re Denver airtel to the Bureau, dated 12/27/74.

Enclosure described in referenced airtel was inadvertently admitted by the Denver Division and is being enclosed with instant airtel.

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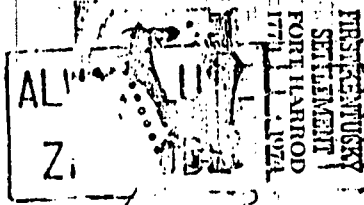
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Sent _____

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Per _____

Frank J. W.
Yard.



Mr. Howard K. Hall
City Editor of
Rocky Mountain News
Denver, Colorado.

ENCLOSURE

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Dec 9, 1972

Mr. Charles Carter Carver
The Law Month

To City Editor of Boston

To Lady Martin's News

Re: ...

I am better with the ...
of Commentator Howard ...
or else he will be killed or
the Bomb on his car or ...
where he go. I am ...
he talk talk of the Tank ...
we already read on the ...
news every day. We ...
of the ... I am ...
see the ...

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We can not injure
activities at all in the
field nor nothing activities
at all, so then again
the Howard Carver be
out. You understand?
I haven't people don't agree on
this, he is a Burn. Burn.

also if we lost some activities
on a football game, also Alex and
Combs. Be shot.

3 of Be Bomb
OK

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

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Report of:

Date:

February 3, 1975

Office:

DENVER

Field Office File #:

9-2317

Bureau File #:

9-56080 b7C

Title:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;
[REDACTED] - VICTIM;
[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

~~Character:~~

Character:

EXTORTION - BOMB THREATS

~~Synopsis:~~

Synopsis:

Employee of "Rocky Mountain News", Denver, furnished letter on 12/18/74 re threat on life of HOWARD COSELL. AUSA, Denver, after reviewing contents of letter declined prosecution. Examination of letter by Document Section of FBI Laboratory indicated letter identical to other Denver letters containing threats against [REDACTED]

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DETAILS:

On December 18, 1974, [REDACTED] Editorial Department, "Rocky Mountain News", Denver, Colorado, furnished a letter which contained a threat on the life of HOWARD COSELL, possibly identical to the well known sports commentator.

On December 24, 1974, contents of this letter and the facts of the case were discussed with First Assistant U. S. Attorney ALLEN SPURGEON, Denver, Colorado, and Mr. SPURGEON stated due to the contents of the letter he did not feel this case merited prosecution or further investigation.

Deleted Copy Sent [REDACTED]

by letter 9-4-75

Per FOIA Request [REDACTED] b7C

DN 9-2317

The letter was forwarded to the Document Section of the FBI Laboratory with a request that it be compared with other anonymous letters in the anonymous letter file.

REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Denver (9-2317)

Date: January 22, 1975

FBI File No. 9-56080

Lab. No. D-750106046 PF

Re: UNSUB;

HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM

EXTORTION - BOMB THREATS

Specimens received 1/6/75

- Q8 Envelope postmarked "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, CO 800 PM 16 DEC 1974" bearing written address "Mr. Howard Cosell To City Editor Of Rocky Mountain News Denver Colorado."
- Q9 Two sheets of paper bearing written message beginning "Dear Sir You better kick that man of Comentetor..." and ending on the second page "Be shot. Be Bomb ok."

Result of examination:

Q8 and Q9 were associated with this case as a result of a search of the Anonymous Letter File.

Characteristics observed indicate that the questioned writing on Q8 and Q9 was prepared by the writer or writers of the questioned writing on Q1 through Q7, previously submitted in this case.

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FBI

- Date: 12/27/74

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EXTORTION
OO: DENVER

150106046

Enclosed for the Document Section is a copy of a letter received by [REDACTED] Editorial Department "Rocky Mountain News," Denver, Colorado. The letter contains a threat on the life of HOWARD COSELL, possibly identical to the well-known sports commentator. On 12/24/74, the contents of the letter and the facts of the case were discussed with First Assistant USA W. ALLEN SPURGEON, Denver, Colorado and Mr. SPURGEON stated due to the contents of the letter he did not feel this case merited further prosecution or further investigation.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

The Document Section is requested to compare enclosed letter with other anonymous letters in the anonymous letter file.

First Assistant USA, SPURGEON's opinion being confirmed by separate communication.

NO ENCL. RECEIVED IN RTG.

3 - Bureau (AM, RM)
2 - Denver

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REC 44

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9 JAN 12 1975

Approved: _____

Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM
EXTORTION

File # 9-56080 12
Lab.# D-750106048 PF

OO: Denver

Examination requested by: SAC, Denver (9-2317) airtels 12-27-74 & 12-31-74

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 1-6-75

Result of Examination:

Examination by: T

returned 1/30/75

Q8 Envelope postmarked "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, CO 800 PM 16 DEC 1974" bearing written address "Mr. Howard Cosell To City Editor Of Rocky Mountain News Denver Colorado."

Q9 Sheet of paper bearing written message beginning "Dear Sir. You better kick that man of Comentator..." and ending on the reverse side "Be shot. Be Bomb ok."

Return Evid.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUBX;
HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;File # 9-56080 18
Lab.# D-750106046 PF

EXTORTION

OO: Denver

VICTIM;
VICTIM

EXTORTION - BOMB THREATS

Examination requested by: SAC, Denver (9-2317) airtels 12-27-74 & 12-31-74

Examination requested: Document

Date received: 1-6-75

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [REDACTED]

Q8 & 9 are with the case
as result of search of ATF.
Chas obs indicate Q8 & 9 prep
by writer or writers Q1-7; prev mail
Q8 & 9 attached

Item prev file of PV 9-2182 a cert.
Unsub; [REDACTED] - Vic, [REDACTED] - U
[REDACTED] - Vic, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] - Vic Ext - Bomb Threat
Case done by DV rept 12/14/73.

ATF Ident by [REDACTED]

Q8 Envelope postmarked "U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, CO 800 PM 16 DEC 1974"
bearing written address "Mr. Howard Cosell To City Editor of
Rocky Mountain News Denver Colorado."

Q9 Sheets of paper bearing written message beginning "Dear Sir 2nd pag
You better kick that man of Comentetor..." and ending on the reverse
side "Be shot. Be Bomb ok."

Return Evid.

2- DV (9-2182)

Lab report
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

To: SAC, Denver (9-2317)

Date: January 22, 1975

From: Director, FBI

Re: UNSUB; [REDACTED]

MCT-11

REC 44

FBI File No. 9-56080

HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM; [REDACTED]

VICTIM; [REDACTED]

VICTIM; [REDACTED]

Lab. No. D-750106046 PF

GONZALES - VICTIM; [REDACTED]

- VICTIM [REDACTED]

EXTORTION - BOMB THREATS

OO: Denver

Examination requested by: Denver

Reference: Airtels dated 12/27/74 and 12/31/74

Examination requested: Document

Remarks:

For your information, Q1 through Q7 were previously submitted in this case under Denver file #9-2182 which case was captioned "UNSUB: [REDACTED] - Victim; [REDACTED] - Victim; [REDACTED] - Victim; Extortion - Bomb Threat." This case was closed administratively by Denver report 12/14/73.

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by Letter 9-4-75
Per FOIA Request [REDACTED]

Enclosures (4) (Q8, Q9, 2 Lab report)
2 - Denver (9-2182) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)

NOTE: The Anonymous Letter File identification mentioned in the attached report was made by document analyst [REDACTED]

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REPORT
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Denver (9-2317)

Date: January 22, 1975

FBI File No. 9-56080

Re: UNSUB;

Lab. No. D-750106046 PF

HOWARD COSELL - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM;

[REDACTED] - VICTIM

EXTORTION - BOMB THREATS

Specimens received 1/6/75

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Q9 Two sheets of paper bearing written message beginning "Dear Sir You better kick that man of Comentetor..." and ending on the second page "Be shot. Be Bomb ok."

Result of examination:

Q8 and Q9 were associated with this case as a result of a search of the Anonymous Letter File.

Characteristics observed indicate that the questioned writing on Q8 and Q9 was prepared by the writer or writers of the questioned writing on Q1 through Q7, previously submitted in this case.

Q8 and Q9 are attached,

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